



Financial Assistance
Request

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROCESS

Note: Clear Creek Community Church does not provide financial assistance for people who do not attend this church. If you do not attend Clear Creek Community Church (CCCC) you can contact one of the following organizations who may be able to help you:

- *Galveston County/M.I. Lewis Social Service Center | 281-534-2043*
- *Harris County/Interfaith Caring Ministries | 281-332-2881*
- *United Way of Greater Houston | 2-1-1*

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

As you enter into a relationship with the staff and volunteers at CCCC, who serve in Care and Support, understand that you are entering into a spiritual relationship. We believe that all positive change and growth, both personally and in our circumstances, are rooted in our response to God's goodness to us by knowing and following Jesus as our Lord and Savior.

If you are going to grow spiritually, accountability is essential for spiritual growth. We all need help. The simple truth is we need other people to help us recognize and admit sin; to challenge us to examine our heart for the affections that lead to sinful thinking and choices and help us apply the scriptures to how we think and act.

No one can hold you accountable unless you allow them to. No one can help you in the process of repentance and reconciliation unless you allow them to be a part of your spiritual growth.

In order to establish a healthy relationship with the church, we ask you participate in following the commitments to CCCC for relationship and accountability. There will be specific commitments discussed when you meet with the PIN team and future care and support is contingent on your involvement.

We are happy to serve you. Your thorough and truthful answers to the questions and commitments that follow will help establish a good starting point in our relationship.

We look forward to knowing you and following Jesus with you.

Respectfully,

Clear Creek Community Church



In an effort to serve you well, we ask that you please review and initial that you understand the financial process within Clear Creek Community Church and expectations of that process.

Please note and initial the following:

____ EACH FORM MUST BE COMPLETED IN ITS ENTIRETY and returned to CCCC, 999 FM 270, League City, TX 77573 or faxed to 281-557-2391 by noon on Thursdays to be considered for an appointment the following Tuesday. Incomplete forms will not be processed.

____ Financial assistance appointments are only conducted on Tuesday mornings at our Egret Bay location and other campus specific locations on Sunday mornings.

____ Must have a copy of relevant bills for assistance.

____ The person you meet with is not able to make decisions to provide resources during your appointment. All requests for assistance are reviewed by the financial assistance group. Only after approval will the financial request be processed.

____ Checks are cut weekly on Thursday, no exceptions.

____ Checks are mailed directly to the vendor (landlord, utility company, etc.).

____ This same process must be followed if future assistance is provided.

____ Commitment to engage in a relationship with Clear Creek Community Church and growing in devotion to Jesus Christ.



SPIRITUAL GROWTH COVENANT

Spiritual growth is essentially a process of repentance and reconciliation.

Repentance is the recognition that you have rejected God's rule of and will for your life (sin), and then making the commitment to submit your life to God's rule. The word "repent" literally means to turn around and go in a different direction. Therefore, repentance is a radical change of heart toward God that results in radically changed thinking and actions.

"Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord..." Acts 3:19-20

Reconciliation is the process of repairing the damage to relationships caused by your sin, beginning with your relationship to God and then as much as is possible to people. God made possible our reconciliation to him through Jesus' sacrifice on the cross. Our reconciliation to God then spills over into all of our human relationships.

"For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation." Romans 5:10-11

To truly grow spiritually requires that we acknowledge that we are thinking and behaving in ways that are corrupted by affections of our heart for things other than God — affections that make self-centered and sinful thoughts and actions desirable to us — and commit to replace those affections with a true affection for God and his glory. Spiritual growth is all about growing our heart's desire for God so that worldly and sinful desires are no longer as appealing to us as is pleasing and glorifying God.

Accountability is essential for spiritual growth. We all need help. The simple truth is we need other people to help us recognize and admit sin; to challenge us to examine our heart for the affections that lead to sinful thinking and choices and help us apply the Scriptures to how we think and act.

No one can hold you accountable unless you allow them to. No one can help you in the process of repentance and reconciliation unless you allow them to be a part of your spiritual growth.

CCCC exists to help people become fully devoted followers of Jesus — no matter where they come from or what their life has been like in the past. It is our desire and mission to be a mutually dependent community of people who help each other grow spiritually. In order for that to happen there has to be a relationship of



accountability, without willing accountability we cannot help each other grow.

Every action taken by CCCC to help you address your personal situation is taken with the intention of helping you find and grow in your relationship to Jesus Christ. We cannot effectively invest in a relationship with you unless you commit to a relationship of accountability, where you will allow us to speak into your life with the intent of helping you through the process of repentance and reconciliation.

In order to establish a healthy relationship with the church you covenant to honor the following commitments to CCCC for relationship and accountability. No pastoral care support can be given unless we agree together to honor this covenant as outlined on the Next Steps Commitment Form. The word “gospel” means good news. The bible tells us the “good news” is the truth about who Jesus Christ is and what he has done for us.

We are all sinners. That means that every one of us has rejected God's rule and will for our lives and substituted ourselves in his place as God. To sin is to consider ourselves equal or superior to God when it comes to who and what we worship and when it comes to how we treat other people. The sin of some people is overt and obvious and the consequence of some people's sin is obvious, but the sin of others is hidden and its consequences appear to be hidden. But make no mistake, we are all sinners.

God is holy and sovereign. His will is perfect and he is the creator of, and ultimate ruler over everything. When we sin we set ourselves against God's holiness and sovereignty, the bible says we make ourselves enemies of God. God will exercise his judgment on his enemies. No one who rejects God will escape God's wrath as punishment for sin. It is a scary prospect.

That is why Jesus is “good news.” The bible teaches us that God loved us even when we were still sinning against him and that God acted to forgive, reconcile, and redeem us back from the death penalty for our sin. God came to us in the person of Jesus Christ, lived a perfect life, and then went to the cross to be killed as a substitute for us. In other words God punished Jesus for our sin and gives to us the moral holiness and perfection that Jesus has. The bible also tells us that this is God's loving gift to us and that we can do nothing to earn or deserve it. That is what makes the good news good, it does not depend on us doing everything right, it is a generous gift from God secured by his sovereign will and power.

To put your faith in Jesus means to trust him to be the sacrifice for your sin, it means that you choose to believe that God punished Jesus for your sin and to receive God's gift of eternal life not based on what you do but based on what Jesus has already done. To put your faith in Jesus also means to commit to follow him and let God work in you to transform your thinking and actions and character to become more and more like Jesus. It is a process we call spiritual growth.



All spiritual growth starts with truly placing your faith in Jesus. Jesus is our good news.

Yes No I understand I am a sinner and I need God's gift of salvation through Jesus.

Signature



FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Appointment Date _____ Time _____ In Database? Yes No

TODAY'S DATE _____

NAME _____
First, Middle, Last _____ Date of Birth _____ Age _____

STREET _____

CITY _____

How long at current address? _____ Home Phone _____

EMAIL _____ Cell Phone _____

Do you attend CCCC? Yes No
Which campus do you attend? _____ How long have you attended? _____

Who can we contact to verify your regular attendance at CCCC?

Name _____ Name _____
Phone _____ Phone _____

Do you serve in a CCCC ministry? Yes No Which Ministry? _____
If not, please explain why.

Are you in a small group? Yes No Leader's Name _____
If not, please explain why.

Do we have permission to contact your small group leader? Yes No

Have you received assistance from People in Need Ministry in the past? Yes No
If so, please describe the circumstances regarding your past help from PIN.

Have you received assistance from other churches or community resources? Yes No
If so, what help was provided?



MARITAL STATUS

Single

Married

Separated

Divorced

Widowed

How long?

How long?

How long?

How Long?

**Names of All People
Living in Your Home**

Age

Relationship

Employer (Adults)

Names of All People Living in Your Home	Age	Relationship	Employer (Adults)

Yes No

Do you have a history of substance abuse?

Yes No

Is there substance abuse in your home?

Yes No

Do you practice the discipline of giving?

Yes No

Do we have permission to verify your giving history at CCCC?

How did you hear about CCCC and the People In Need Ministry?

Describe your present financial situation.

How is your financial situation affecting you and your relationship to God and others?

CURRENT EMPLOYER

_____ How long? _____

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

GED

High School

Some College

College Degree



WORK HISTORY (If unemployed, please provide work history for last five years and attach resume.)

INCOME Monthly Income _____ Spousal Support _____ Disability _____
Child Support _____ Social Security _____

OTHER INCOME (Describe Other Income Sources/Public Assistance i.e., TANAF, Food Stamps, WIC, etc.)

- Yes No Do you have a checking account?
- Yes No Do you have a savings account?
- Yes No Do you have a retirement account?

MONTHLY BILLS	Total	Mthly Amt	Due Date	Past Due
Credit Card	\$ _____	\$ _____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Auto	\$ _____	\$ _____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
House/Apartment	\$ _____	\$ _____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Utilities	\$ _____	\$ _____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Other	\$ _____	\$ _____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

WHAT ASSISTANCE ARE YOU REQUESTING?

WHAT STEPS HAVE YOU TAKEN TO REMEDY THE SITUATION?

CONSENT TO RELEASE INFORMATION

Clear Creek Community Church (hereafter referred to CCCC) adheres to a strict policy of confidentiality. The identity of those who are interviewed by our People in Need team as well as their relevant records and/or information will be kept strictly confidential with the exception of:

- Cases where we are required by law to report information concerning child, adult or elder abuse.
- Cases where you report information that you are in danger of harming yourself or others.
- Cases where you have authorized CCCC in writing to release information from your file.

I _____, give the People in Need Team permission to:

- a. Verify any information necessary to process my assistance.
- b. Discuss my case with CCCC staff which includes, but it not limited to campus pastors, elders, volunteers and other agencies to obtain the best service.

I understand that all information I share with CCCC is personal and private and I am not required to release this information. I understand that my information will be provided to other organizations when absolutely necessary and only for my benefit. I understand that my records are protected under the Federal and State Confidentiality Regulations and cannot be disclosed without my written consent otherwise provided for by the regulations.

I understand that I may revoke this authorization at any time. I further acknowledge that the information to be released was fully explained to me and this consent is given of my own free will.

Participant's Signature

Date

PIN Representative

Date

