

# THINGS TO CONSIDER RELATIVE TO TITHING & GIVING

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TO: Pastors

FROM: Troy Vernon, State Treasurer

### PROVERBS PAYMENTS

Proverbs Payments is a great avenue to receive tithe and offerings into the local church safety and efficiently during this crisis and beyond. To get this set up in your local church, we would ask that the pastor (only) contact Bishop Jay Croyle (COGOP, PA) at <a href="mailto:spadmin@nacogop.org">spadmin@nacogop.org</a> or call 724-822-2504. He will assist you regarding usage.

## **VENMO APP**

Venmo is a 'safe to use' digital wallet that lets you make and share payments with friends. Your congregation will easily be able to send funds into the church account. Download the Venmo App to your smart phone and send tithe and/or offerings by using money you have in Venmo or link your bank account or debit card. This app enables transfer of funds in a couple days. This app is FREE.

# TITHE.LY.GIVING

The Tithe.ly.Giving App embeds right on your church website. This form of giving can easily be embedded or sent as a <u>link</u> through whatever digital giving platform you make. This is a perfect avenue when you are Live-Streaming as this enables viewers to give.

# **OLD SCHOOL**

Be sure to make your churches **mailing address** available for congregates who desire to tithe and give the old-fashioned way when not able to attend services. Typically, a Post Office Box is safer than the church mailbox. Some churches may consider mailing their offerings directly to the Church Clerk/Treasurer or to the pastor. Avoid cash giving in such instances.

### THEBALANCE.COM

This resource provides various avenues to give, including digital giving.

These are certainly not all of the options available. However, we do encourage you as Pastor to provide your congregation options for giving. The Church may not be operating 'business as usual' but tithing and giving remain vital for the financial livelihood of the pastor, local church, and come with amazing benefits for the giver.

"Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again" (Luke 6:38).

Should you need assistance, please feel free to contact Joe Dotson, our State Office IT provider at <a href="mailto:idotson@nacogop.org">idotson@nacogop.org</a> or 352.250.2527.

May the Lord bless and keep,

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