

Checklist for a Giving Orientated Church

Generous churches are churches which see generosity as a fundamental way of being church. Giving is not something that is focused on once a year but the church constantly encourages people to live generous lives in a wide variety of ways, and provides as many ways to give as possible. "Generosity is a fruit of God's grace, the product of a transformed heart, and it develops in an atmosphere that encourages it, celebrates it, and reproduces it consistently over time"ⁱ.

| Display in Church | No | Just about | Good | Brilliantly |
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| Impact of the church is communicated | | | | |
| Vision of the church is communicated | | | | |
| Need for giving by the community is communicated | | | | |
| Giving to mission by the church is communicated | | | | |
| Opportunity to give one-off gift | | | | |
| Opportunity to give regularly | | | | |
| Opportunity to give tax efficiently | | | | |
| Opportunity to give contactless | | | | |
| Encouragement for legacy giving | | | | |
| Ministry team including Treasurer with contact details | | | | |
| Thanks for giving from the church | | | | |
| Thanks for giving from the diocese | | | | |

| Website | No | Just about | Good | Brilliantly |
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| Social Media | No | Just about | Good | Brilliantly |
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| Services etc | More than a year ago | Within 3-12 months | Less than 3 months |
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| Last sermon on generosity or giving | | | |
| The impact of the church is communicated | | | |
| The vision of the church is communicated | | | |
| The giving to mission by the church is communicated | | | |
| Giving Programme delivered | | | |
| Generous giving themed bible study sessions | | | |
| Generosity part of intercessions | | | |
| | | Yes | No |
| Offertory prayer said (audibly!) | | | |
| Guidance in notices (if before service) / newsletter on how to give for visitors | | | |
| Church adopted the Parish Giving Scheme | | | |
| PGS tokens available if offertory plate used | | | |
| PGS for wider community promoted / Friends scheme | | | |
| Church used the PCC legacy toolkit | | | |
| Welcome pack for new members including preferred ways of giving | | | |
| 50/50 collections encouraged for baptisms weddings and funerals | | | |