

Gift Aid Declaration (Contd.)

Please notify CBC if you:

- Want to cancel this declaration
- Change your name or home address
- No longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains.

If you pay Income Tax at the higher or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self-Assessment tax return or ask HM Revenue and Customs to adjust your tax code.

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Gift Aid

As Cirencester Baptist Church is registered with the Charity Commission, No.1127222, we are able to reclaim gift aid from HMRC.

Through Gift Aid the Government encourages individuals to give to charities by allowing us to claim back the tax you paid on the gift. For instance, if you gave £100 to CBC, we can claim a further £25 from the Government.

In 2017 CBC received £79,963 from Gift Aid.

If you pay UK tax (Income or Capital Gains) and would like CBC to claim back the basic rate tax you need to fill in, sign and return to us a Gift Aid Declaration form.

This is effective for the whole time you are a UK tax payer. If you stop paying tax you will need to notify us.

Higher rate tax payers If you pay Income Tax at the higher or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self Assessment tax return or ask HMRC to adjust your tax code.

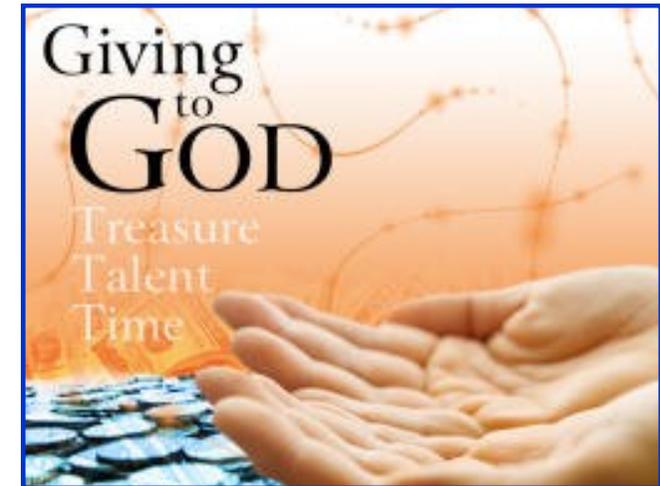
If you receive any Tax Credits If you claim the age-related Personal Allowance, Married Couple's Allowance or family tax credits, it's important to let HMRC know about any Gift Aid donations. They will subtract the amount you donate plus the basic rate tax from your total income and use the reduced figure to work out the value of your allowances or tax credits.

For further information

- **Contact the Church Office:**
Cirencester Baptist Church
Chesterton Lane
Cirencester , GL7 1YE
Tel: 01285 643510
Email: office@cirencester-baptist.org
Website: www.cirencester-baptist.org
- **Speak to our treasurer: Caroline McKemey** or any member of the Finance Team: Mike Sharp, Pat Lee, Cath Forshaw or Philip Poole.

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CIRENCESTER BAPTIST CHURCH



“Each one should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.”

2 Corinthians 9 v 7

Whilst the information in this leaflets relates to financial giving, members of Cirencester Baptist Church contribute to the life and work of the church in many different ways. Please speak to one of our ministers or trustees about other ways you can get involved.

Our aim is to be a loving community of disciples of Jesus, following him, growing in him, and witnessing to him through our lifestyle, actions and speech. The Church holds to biblical principles and seeks to make known the truth and life of Christianity to the local community and beyond.

God and Money

In the parable of the Talents (Matthew 25 v 14-30) Jesus teaches his disciples that they need to be good stewards of all that God has given, recognising that it doesn't belong to us, but has been given to us by God to use to bring blessing. This is also true of our money, and as part of this, the Bible teaches us to be generous - **"God loves a cheerful Giver"** 2 Corinthians 9 v 7. God blesses generosity. Giving also helps us overcome greed and selfishness. In the New Testament giving seems to be directed in two ways: to the poor and to the ministry of the church.

Many Christians find giving a tithe (10%) of their income to God is a helpful way to get started.

Giving to CBC

At CBC we are reliant upon God and the giving of our church members - we have no external source of funding. Our church needs committed, regular giving for its ongoing work. At least 19% of our donations was given on again to those in need both locally and around the world. In 2017 we supported Baptist Home Mission, Baptist Missionary Society, church members working in Moldova, Nepal, Germany, Thailand, Brazil, Sierra Leon & Kenya. We also supported the Syrian Refugees Crisis & Signpost in Cirencester.

This year we have been heavily involved with finishing and equipping the new church. In 2017 we received additional giving of £124,616 towards this.

Did you know?

It cost our church £6,679 per week to function in 2017.

We received each week:

£5,101 from personal giving

£1,069 from Gift Aid

£517 from rent, interest and use of premises

We spent each week:

£3,321 Ministry (pastoral staff etc.)

£320 Church Activities (eg Youth, Sunday school)

£634 External Mission (eg ministry in Thailand)

£2,129 Church Expenses (eg heat & light, etc.)

£275 Manses & Cottages

Additionally we received a further £2,197 each week towards the loan repayments for our building.

How can I give to the work of CBC?

You can give a "one-off" gift or regular gifts:

- In the Sunday offerings (to gift aid your giving we need to be able to identify your giving, so either put the donation in an envelope with your name or a pre-arranged number on it or give by cheque)
- By setting up a standing order with your bank
- BACS payments - electronic payments from your bank account into the CBC bank account.
- Through your employers payroll giving scheme. This costs you less because your donation is given to us from your gross salary before any tax is taken off - so you don't pay tax on it. (This only applies if your employer runs such a scheme).
- CAF/Stewardship Vouchers.
- You may also like to consider making a donation to CBC in your will. If you leave a gift to a charity in your will, its value will not be included when valuing your estate for Inheritance Tax purposes. Gifts made to a charity in the seven years before your death are exempt from Inheritance Tax.
- **Our Bank Account** is held at Lloyds TSB, 14 Castle Street, Cirencester, GL7 1QJ.

Account Name: Cirencester Baptist Church.

Account No: 00086248

Sort Code: 30 92 06

Charity Gift Aid Declaration – multiple donations

Boost your donation by 25p of Gift Aid for every £1 you donate

Gift Aid is reclaimed by the charity from the tax you pay for the current tax year. Your address is needed to identify you as a current UK taxpayer.

In order to Gift Aid your donation you must tick the box:

I want to Gift Aid my donation of £_____ and any donations I make in the future or have made in the past 4 years to **Cirencester Baptist Church**

I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

My Details:

Title: _____ First Name: _____

Surname: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Date: _____