

December 5, 2026

## **Local Church Budget**

It has been said that “It’s not your aptitude that determines your altitude, but it is your attitude.” Attitude can be described as a mindset, a point of view, or frame of mind that a person has toward someone or something. An attitude can also be seen in one’s behavior.

The story of the wise men that came to worship Christ (Matthew 2:1-11) is an example of what it means for faithful stewards to have a wonderful attitude. When they studied the prophecies and discovered where the Messiah was going to be born, they joyfully brought their gifts to Jesus. More importantly, they displayed a positive and optimistic attitude. They were not forced to give. They gave gladly out of a willing heart.

Today, as we return our tithes and freewill offerings for the local church budget, let us do so with an attitude of gratitude. Let’s pray...

December 12, 2026

## **Adventist Community Services (NAD)**

People come in all shapes and sizes, and so do their struggles. For over 50 years, Adventist Community Services (ACS) has been a lifeline to those in need—offering food to the hungry, clothing to the cold, shelter to the displaced, and encouragement to the discouraged. But above all, ACS offers something deeper: the love of Christ in action.

Recently, a man walked into a local ACS center, his face worn with exhaustion. He had lost his job, his home, and nearly his hope. A volunteer welcomed him with warmth, helped him find clothes and a meal, and then simply listened. As he left, he paused and said, “I didn’t think anyone still cared. But today, I felt seen.”

Ellen G. White wrote: “Christ’s method alone will give true success in reaching the people. The Savior mingled with men as one who desired their good. He showed His sympathy for them, ministered to their needs, and won their confidence. Then He bade them, ‘Follow Me.’” (Ministry of Healing, p. 143)

Through ACS, we are called to mingle, minister, and bring hope. Today, your offering will help sustain these ministries, providing tangible help and spiritual encouragement to those who need it most.

December 19, 2026

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The Christmas season is upon us. For some the calendar is filled with Christmas programs, family traditions and various gatherings of the people we love. It can be a time of great joy as we experience the most wonderful time of the year. For others, depending on many factors, it can be a time of great sorrow. The holiday season can feel long and lonely.

Whatever you are experiencing this season, remember to let your thoughts and affections be turned to Jesus, the “Reason for the season.” God emptied heaven when He sent His only Son, Jesus, to be our Savior. He is our greatest Gift. Take time to reflect and recognize how Jesus has shown up for you this year.

Our offering for today is for the local church budget. Thank you for your support and commitment as we seek to uplift Jesus and His soon coming in our local community.

December 26, 2026

## **Wisconsin Conference Budget**

Today's offering is for the Wisconsin Conference budget. This offering addresses specific needs as well as a variety of special projects. As of this printing, the Wisconsin Conference is a sisterhood of 87 churches, companies and mission groups that help each other accomplish important objectives that are beyond the reach of any one church alone.

“Our heavenly Father has a thousand ways to provide for us of which we know nothing. Those who accept the one principle of making the service of God supreme, will find perplexities vanish and a plain path before their feet.”  
*(Ministry of Healing, p. 481).*

Let's make this our motto and aim for the coming new year! Encourage your church to keep a journal of all the amazing ways God provides and the opportunities He gives for you to provide for others.

Through the spirit of generosity and sacrifice may we each partner with God and take the work forward for His kingdom. Let's pray...