



Estimate of Giving Card

This is for your personal, spiritual use:

In response to God's love and as an act of my faith in and commitment to Jesus Christ and his Church, I/We will:

- MOVE BEYOND A TITHE OF FIRST FRUITS**
My/Our desire is to give more to God's work in response to his blessings
- MOVE UP TO A TITHE OF FIRST FRUITS**
My/Our giving will be a tenth of the First Fruits of the harvest to God's work
- MOVE TOWARDS A TITHE OF FIRST FRUITS**
I/We want to work towards the goal of tithing our First Fruits with God's help and provision

First-Fruits Commitment

This is for our financial treasurer's use only:

\$ _____

- WEEKLY (52)
- MONTHLY (12)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

This commitment may be revised or cancelled at any time at your request.

First Fruits Liturgy

Take some of the First Fruits of the harvest of the field of work that the LORD your God is giving you and offer it in the Holy Place to the Lord your God. The minister shall take the basket from your hands and set it down in front of the altar of the LORD your God. Then you shall declare before the LORD your God:

We were a lost and enslaved people. Then we cried out to the LORD, the God of our ancestors, and the LORD heard our voice and saw our misery, toil and oppression. So the LORD saved us with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great power and with signs and wonders through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. He brought us to this place and blessed us with a harvest; and now I bring the firstfruits of all that you, LORD, have given me."

Place the offering before the LORD your God and bow down before him. Then you and the people shall rejoice in all the good things the LORD your God has given to you and your household. When you have finished setting aside your offering, you shall give it to the church, to the foreigner, the fatherless and the widow, so that they may eat in your towns and be satisfied. Then say to the LORD your God:

"I have removed from my house the sacred portion and have given it to the church, to the foreigner, the fatherless and the widow, according to all you commanded. I have not turned aside from your commands nor have I forgotten any of them. . . I have obeyed the LORD my God; I have done everything you commanded me. Look down from heaven, your holy dwelling place, and bless your people and dwelling places that you have given them.

Adapted from Deuteronomy 26



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