## Financial Principles

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seek to be wise stewards of the financial resources in our care.

apply the standard of the Word to all our financial practices.

maintain the highest standard of ethical practice in all our activities.

honor our statutory obligations at all times.

apply our finances to further the work of God on the earth through EarthBasic and its approved partners.

are rich in good works.

partake in a lifestyle of generous and cheerful giving.

spend within our means.

do not incur debt.

**practice** accountable giving, applying financial resources to relieve burdens, not responsibilities, amongst our target population.

seek opportunities to multiply financial resources to amplify our capacity to serve our target population.

receive donations, including money, tangible resources directly connected to our service commitments, and intangible resources such as time, knowledge, skills, and talent.

**trust in God** to provide for all our needs and acknowledge donations and gifts, tangible or intangible, as coming from God.

express gratitude regularly and openly for His good gifts.

consider giving a privilege and eagerly invite you to participate in it.

**use** financial resources to serve people, not people to gain financial resources.

**do not accept** financial or in-kind "gifts" that legally bind us to reject the counsel of the LORD (His Word rightly divided) and the expression of His divine leadership through us on the earth.

**place** a monetary value on our goods and services (even if they are often provided free of cost to our target population).

<u>1 Timothy 6: 6 - 10; 1 Timothy 6: 17 - 19; Hebrews 13: 5 - 6; 2 Corinthians 8: 1 - 15; Romans 13: 1 - 7; Matthew 6: 19 - 24; Matthew 22: 15 - 21; Luke 3: 10 - 14; and James 5: 1 - 5.</u>