Giving to Broadgrace

Why give?

We have a generous God. Jesus gave his life for us and gives us all things. So, any possessions we have or money we receive is a gift from him. This actually means that we do not have to give. God's generosity is not conditional on ours, so he will generously love us, forgive us and welcome us into his family whether we give or not. Our churches seek to copy Christ in this – we aim to treat all members and guests with the love of God regardless. The generosity of God does, though, give us two compelling reasons to give.

The first is faith. As we trust Christ, we seek to obey him and desire to become like him. He commands us to give (for example in 1 Timothy 5:17-18 on paying ministers, which is impossible if there is no money to do so). He also tells us that we will be blessed if we give (Acts 20:35). The blessed, or happy, life that Jesus has saved us for is to live like he lives, with complete generosity.

The second reason to give is love. The church is a family and the members of the family love one another. Giving is an expression of this love. The family has costs and together we must meet those costs. Broadgrace receives some income from renting out office and café space at *The River Rooms*. We occasionally receive gifts from outside the church. The majority of the money we need, though, comes from members of the church giving generously to the church. This pays our staff, rents our other venues and allows us to offer ministries free of charge to those outside the church who need to hear about the love of Christ.

If you would like to talk further about the biblical basis for generous Christian giving, please speak with one of the elders who would be glad to do so.

Background

Broadgrace Buxton and Broadgrace Coltishall are two churches within the Broadgrace Partnership. The finances, legal compliance and governance of the Partnership is held within one charity, Broadgrace Charitable Incorporated Organisation (registered number 1171839).

The income and expenses of the churches are shared within the Partnership, including the employment of members of staff and the income generated from *The River Rooms* in Coltishall. This means that when you give, you give to the work of both churches and the ministries that they share together (Eg *Tiddlers* baby and toddler group or our youth and children's work).

The finances of the charity are administered by Flick Hindley as the treasurer, with support from Rachel Trussell. Steve Michael is the elder/trustee particularly responsible for finances.

Further information

The trustees submit an annual report and accounts to the Charity Commission each year, following the year end of 31 August. The latest report is always available on the Charity Commission website. If you would like further information about the church finances or have any questions about how the money you give is used, spent or administered, please do contact Flick, the treasurer using finances@broadgrace.org.uk.

How to give

There are a number of ways you can give to the church:

1. By Standing Order

You can set up a regular standing order (weekly/monthly/quarterly) to the church. The account details are as follows:

Name	BROADGRACE
Bank	HSBC
Sort Code	403509
Account No.	14247698

As a **payment description** or **payment reference,** please use your surname. This can sometimes be done by choosing 'pay bills' rather than transferring money.

2. By Bank Transfer

You can make your donation by bank transfer, either on a one-off or ongoing basis. Our account details are as follows:

Name	BROADGRACE
Bank	HSBC
Sort Code	403509
Account No.	14247698

As a **payment description** or **payment reference,** please use your surname. This can sometimes be done by choosing 'pay bills' rather than transferring money.

3. By Cash

Envelopes are available in the leaflet rack at both churches. Please seal the envelope and hand it to the Treasurer (Flick Hindley) or to one of the elders.

Please complete the gift-aid declaration on the envelope (where appropriate).

4. By Cheque

Please make cheques payable to Broadgrace and place in an envelope from the leaflet rack. Please hand it to the Treasurer (Flick Hindley), one of the elders, or send by post to:

Broadgrace Church, 40 Mill Road, Frettenham, Norfolk, NR12 7LQ

Notifying us of your donation

If you decide to give to Broadgrace, we would be grateful if you would let the Treasurer (Flick Hindley) know.

You can do this by speaking to Flick in person or using the contact details below. This means that we can ensure that we have received your donation and update our records accordingly. This information will be kept fully confidential within the finance team. However, we understand if you prefer to give anonymously.

Tax-payers

If you are a UK tax-payer, we can claim the basic rate income tax back from the government on every £1 that you give to the church. This makes a huge difference to the church finances and so we are keen to claim all the tax-back that we are eligible for.

To enable us to do this, you need to do a couple of things:

- When you make your first donation, you need to sign a gift-aid declaration (on the next page of this form, or paper copies are available in the leaflet rack at church).

- You need to notify the Treasurer that you have made a donation so that we can claim the tax-back from the government.

Some people prefer to give through a Christian giving organisation like Stewardship or CAF who organise claiming tax-back etc. If you would prefer to use on these organisations, we would be grateful if you could let us know so that we do not claim the tax-back twice.

Further information

If you would like any further information about giving to the church or anything else associated with the Broadgrace finances, please contact the Treasurer, Flick Hindley. Her contact details are as follows:

E-mail	finances@broadgrace.org.uk
Telephone	07962 304672
Address	40 Mill Road, Frettenham, Norwich, NR12 7LQ

Gift aid declaration

Please treat as gift-aid donations to Broadgrace (registered Charity no. 1171839):

☐ All donations that I make from the date of this declaration until I notify you otherwise as Gift Aid donations *

☐ All donations I have made for this tax year and the four years prior to the year of this declaration **and** all donations I make from the date of this declaration, until I notify you otherwise, as Gift Aid donations. *

☐ The enclosed donation of £ ..... as a gift-aid donation. *

☐ The donation of £ ..... which I made on ..... / .....

/ ..... as a gift-aid donation. *

**Please tick as appropriate*

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 <u>all</u> my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference. Taxes such as VAT or Council tax do not qualify.
Gift aid is reclaimed by Broadgrace from the tax you pay for the current year. Your address is needed to identify you as a UK taxpayer.

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

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Postcode: _____

Signed: _____Date _____ / _____ / _____

☐ I agree to my data being held and processed as described in the Broadgrace Data Privacy Notice.

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.

Please let us know if you:

1) want to cancel this declaration
2) change your name or home address
3) no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains to enable us to claim gift-aid.

Contact details

For more information, please contact the Treasurer (Flick Hindley) on finances@broadgrace.org.uk