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August 27, 2023 (562) 531-6820

#### connecting people to Jesus, people, and God's mission

Tax return season is over, but there are tax-saving opportunities to consider between now and the end of the year. Here is an  $IR\Lambda$  strategy to review and consider. Qualified charitable distributions (QCDs). If you're over age 70', have a traditional IR $\Lambda$ , and make charitable contributions, you could be making those

charitable contributions using QCDs. You direct the IRA custodian to make a distribution to a charity. The distribution isn't included in your gross income, but it counts toward your required minimum distribution (RMD) for the year, if you have one.

### CURRENT CHURCH PLANTS

-Pat & Julie Dirkse I Amoldo & Viviana Escobar City Church of Compton | Compton - est. 2009

-Larry & Carol Barber Church of Grace Garden Grove - est.2011

-Samuel Alvarado

Iglesia La Nueva Familia South LA - est.2012

-Navin & Pabitra Bhandari

US Nepalese Christian Church Paramount - est. 2012 -WILLIAM SUAREZ: CHF -Javier & Jenni Alcaraz

La Roca, Panorama City, CA- est.2013

-Cristobal & Virginia Caro

Iglesia Cristiana Évangelica Elohim, Mexico est. 2007

-Rudy & Edna Rubio

Reformed Church of Los Angeles Lynwood est. 2018

-Jonathan & Charrise Mathew Compton est.2018

### CHURCH PLANTS SUPPORTED

Tommy & Fatimah Forester

Epiphany Fellowship South LA - est. 2016

### NEW PLANTS OF OUR CLASSIS Chris Marquez

Reformed Church Of LA, Wilmington est.2020

Please keep the following people & their families in daily prayer...

(To update this prayer list, submit a prayer request on erc.la/prayer and let us know in the notes to also update the Prayer Page)

- -RICHARD GRIFFIN: Issues with blood flow and circulation to leas & feet
- -GREG ENGLE: Inclusion Body Myositis
- -TROY KUBINSKI: Inclusion Body Myositis
- -GAY WALKER: Lung cancer
- -TANYA COLLIS: Severe pain 24 hrs/day
- -JADEN MALDONADO: (child) Congenital cytomegalovirus
- -TANYA MCKOWN: Lupus, Health issues
- -EMMA ROMERO (Teen): Seizures
- -BERTHA MARTINES: Stroke/complete healing
- -FRANCES HOLTON: Full recovery of knees
- -RAQUEL MALDONADO (23): MS
- -JOSE PAGAN: Malignant tumor located near front of ear
- -SELENE VELASCO: needing kidney transplant
- -JOYCE SARICH: bypass surgery recovery

Our Christian sympathy to Robby and Jamee' Schellenberg and family on the passing of Robby's mother, Judy Schellenberg, on Tuesday, August 22, 2023, at the age of 80, due to a house fire in Missouri

English: 9am 10:30am 12pm 6pm | Spanish: 10:30am 12pm | Nepalese: 9:30am

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## Additional Giving Opportunities Compton Fund offering Sep 3

# Weekly Offering

YTD Offering: \$2,013,741.13 YTD Budget: \$2,066,384.00

Last Week's Offering: \$27,297.66 2023 Weekly Budget: \$60,766.00

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# THE WEAPONS OF THE LORD FOR THE SPIRITUAL WAR

Scripture Reading Ephesians 6:10-20

Review

BE STRONG in the Lord

"Finally, be strong in the Lord and in His mighty power." Eph 6:10

### **STAND UP** in the Lord

"<u>Put on</u> the full armor of God so that you can take your <u>stand</u> against the devil's schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore <u>put on</u> the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to <u>stand your ground</u>, and after you have done everything, to <u>stand</u>." <u>Stand</u> firm then. Eph 6:11-14a

**SUIT UP** in the Lord (defense)

"Put on the full armor of God. Eph 6:11

Therefore put on the full armor of God." Eph 6:13

### **DEFENSE READY -**

"Stand firm then"

"with the BELT OF TRUTH buckled round your waist." Eph 6:14a

"with the BRESTPLATE OF RIGHTOUSNESS in place." Eph 6:14b

"with your **FEET** fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace." Eph 6:15

In addition to all of this,

"Take up the **SHEILD OF FAITH**, with which you can <u>extinguish</u> all the <u>flaming arrows</u> of the <u>evil</u> one." Eph 6:16

"Take the **HELMET OF SALVATION**" Eph 6:17a

### OFFENSE

**SHOVE BACK** the enemy (in the Holy Spirit's power)

"Take the **SWORD OF THE SPIRIT** which is the **WORD OF GOD**." Eph 6:17b

"And **PRAY IN THE SPIRIT** on <u>all occasions</u> with all kinds of <u>prayers</u> and request." Eph 6:18a Prayer for "**SELF**"

"With this in mind **BE ALERT** and always **KEEP ON PRAYING** for all the **SAINTS**." Eph 6:18b Prayer for the "**SAINTS**"

"**Pray** also for me, that <u>whenever I open my mouth</u>, <u>words</u> may be <u>given me</u> so that I will <u>fearlessly</u> make known the mystery of the <u>gospel</u>", Eph6:19
For which I am an ambassador in chains. <u>Pray</u> that I may declare it <u>fearlessly</u>, as I should. Eph 6:20

Prayer for "SINNERS"