

# Financial Assistance Application for Church on the Rock Members

**ATTENTION:** Please read **ALL** of the reverse side first. Complete the ***entire application ONLY if you meet the requirements*** on the reverse side of this form. Please ***print legibly***. Allow at least **2 weekdays** for response. In some instances, the response time may be more.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

List names, ages, & relationships of all your dependants: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate month and year you completed a COTR membership card : \_\_\_\_\_

Are you 18 years or older? \_\_\_\_\_ How long have you been born again? \_\_\_\_\_

If employed, provide the following:

Employer name: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Monthly Income: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Your Position/Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Length of employment: \_\_\_\_\_

If not employed, please explain why: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever applied for assistance from COTR? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, give approximate date: \_\_\_\_\_

Was your request approved or partially approved? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, what amount? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you tithe? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, how long? \_\_\_\_\_ Where is your tithe given? \_\_\_\_\_

If you do not tithe, please explain why: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please check the category that best describes your Sunday church attendance over the last six months:

Never \_\_\_ Rarely \_\_\_ Sometimes \_\_\_ Usually \_\_\_ Almost Always \_\_\_ Always \_\_\_

Assistance requested: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check payable to: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note:** We do not make benevolence checks payable to individuals (including yourself). Companies only.

**Please provide a copy of any applicable bills.** Otherwise your request may be denied.

**What financial alternatives do you have?** (e.g. sale of assets or home, loans, family assistance)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Office Use Only:** Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Membership Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Office Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved? \_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ If Approved, Amt Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

# FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE REQUIREMENTS



Church on the Rock (COTR) regularly provides financial assistance to those in need through its benevolence ministry. This assistance is provided for **basic needs**, such as utilities and rent. For spiritual and budgetary reasons, COTR has **three minimum requirements** for financial assistance. At one point, we estimated receiving over 2,000 calls per year for financial assistance from non-members. In response to this large number of calls, this information is designed to make the process manageable.

***Please read the following requirements carefully:***

**# 1** Applicant must be a ***COTR member*** for ***at least 3 months*** as of the application date.

**# 2** Applicant must be a ***regular attender*** for the previous ***3 months*** or more. ***Rarely*** is an exception made for this requirement. Significant health problems would be an example of a legitimate exception.

**# 3** The applicant must be a ***regular tither*** for the previous ***3 months*** or more. This requirement is verified by our donation records. If you only give cash without placing it in an envelope with your name on it, we will have no way to verify your giving. Please keep this in mind and truthfully indicate the approximate frequency and amount of your cash giving on the application - only if that is the primary way you give. We sometimes make a ***one time exception*** to the tithing requirement, especially if an individual or family simply has not yet received the revelation of tithing or is building their faith to trust God with their finances. This exception is NOT made more than once to avoid creating a dependency upon others in place of faith and obedience toward God.

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To help as many people as possible, assistance will generally be limited to **\$350** per individual per calendar year. This can vary (higher or lower) depending on the type of assistance requested and the recent volume of assistance applications received.

**IMPORTANT** - If you do not meet the minimum requirements above, your application will not be approved. However, we can do two things for you. First, any of our staff or Rock Pastors will be happy to pray a prayer of faith and agreement to God for you based on His word. Secondly, COTR can provide you and your family with food. We regularly distribute food prior to our Wednesday services (you will need to complete a form). Over the years, we have been able to provide food for thousands of families.

We have been blessed to provide tens of thousands of dollars in financial assistance to those in need. Hopefully you meet the above requirements and we can assist you financially as well. Thank you for your cooperation.