

RIVERTREE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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BENEVOLENCE

The Benevolence Ministry of RiverTree Christian Church is charged with determining who is needy and defining what constitutes a true need according to Biblical standards. Our decisions are made in accordance with the mandates of Scripture and the leading of the Holy Spirit. These funds come from the blessings that the Lord has given us. We are charged with being good stewards of God's money that was given by people living obedient, disciplined lives for the support of those in need of emergency assistance. We are concerned about your spiritual needs as well as your physical needs.

ALL QUESTIONS ON THE APPLICATION FORM MUST BE COMPLETED.

1. The primary objective of the benevolence ministry of RiverTree Christian Church is to assist those in emergency need of assistance.
2. No benevolence is ever administered to relieve the consequence of sin.
3. All benevolence is given to assist the recipient to help himself/herself work through the problem, not to bail them out of the situation with no effort on their part.
4. All benevolence checks will be made payable to the debtor in cases of bills (i.e. landlord, electric co.) and only in rare circumstances to the recipient of the financial aid.
5. Requests for benevolence requires review by the benevolence team of RiverTree Christian Church, which **NORMALLY TAKES UP TO FOURTEEN (14) DAYS**. All applications must have a signed authorization for release of information before processing can begin. **WE WILL CONTACT THE APPLICANT WHEN THE TEAM HAS REACHED A DECISION.**
6. RiverTree Christian Church will assist people in need only in obedience to the Lord's will and cannot be dictated by the urgency of circumstances.
7. Every case is **CONFIDENTIAL**. Violating confidentiality may result in disqualification of any request submitted, either currently being considered or in the future.
8. Proof of income is required with copies of last two pay stubs attached.
9. Copies of bills must accompany request.
10. **ALL QUESTIONS** on the application form **MUST BE COMPLETED**, or the form will be returned to applicant for completion before we will process the request.

RIVERTREE CHRISTIAN CHURCH BENEVOLENCE REQUEST FORM

RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS MUST BE PROVIDED IN ORDER FOR APPLICATION TO BE CONSIDERED

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Date _____

Last Name _____ First _____ Maiden _____

Address _____ Apt. _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: Day # (____) _____ Evening # (____) _____ E-mail _____

Sex (M/F) _____ Birth Date ____/____/____ Age _____

MARITAL STATUS

Single Engaged Married Separated Divorced Widowed

INFORMATION ON SPOUSE

Last Name _____ First _____ Maiden _____

Address _____ Apt. _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: Day # (____) _____ Evening# (____) _____

Sex (M/F) _____ Birth Date ____/____/____ Age _____ SSN _____

PLEASE LIST SPECIFIC REQUEST NEEDED AT THIS TIME

<u>Amount</u>	<u>For</u>
\$ _____	Food _____
\$ _____	Clothing _____
\$ _____	Utility/Which One? _____
\$ _____	Prescription _____
\$ _____	Rent/House Payment _____
\$ _____	Other _____

EXPLAIN HOW YOU CAME TO BE IN THIS FINANCIAL SITUATION

HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS -- List ALL persons living at this address.

Name	Date of Birth	Relationship	Income
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Do you have a Social Worker? Yes No Social Worker _____
Agency _____ Phone _____

APPLICANT'S EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Present/Most Recent Employer _____ Phone (____) _____
Supervisor _____ Phone (____) _____
Address _____ Apt. _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Employment Date _____ to _____
Position and Job Description _____
Reason for leaving (if not currently working) _____

APOUSE'S (OR FAMILY A EMBER'S) EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Present/Most Recent Employer _____ Phone (____) _____
Supervisor _____ Phone (____) _____
Address _____ Apt. _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Employment Date _____ to _____
Position and Job Description _____
Reason for leaving (if not currently working) _____

HOUSING

Own/Purchasing Renting How Long at Present Address _____ Other _____
Landlord/Mortgage Co. _____ Phone (____) _____
Address _____ Apt. _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____

MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY, INCLUDING TOTALS, TO BE CONSIDERED

WHAT I OWN (Today's value)

Checking Accounts	\$ _____
Savings Accounts	\$ _____
Money Markets Funds	\$ _____
Certificates of Deposit	\$ _____
Mutual Funds/stocks/bonds	\$ _____
Life Insurance (cash value)	\$ _____
Home (market value)	\$ _____
Car (yr____make____) approx.value	\$ _____
Car (yr____make____) approx.value	\$ _____
Other Property Market Value	\$ _____
IRA(s) Retirement Funds	\$ _____
Other _____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
Total	\$ _____

WHAT I OWE (unpaid balances)

Mortgage (balance)	\$ _____
Home Equity Loan	\$ _____
Taxes-list city, real estate etc.	\$ _____
Insurance	\$ _____
Master Card/Visa	\$ _____
Dept. Stores	\$ _____
Gas Card	\$ _____
Other Credit Cards	\$ _____
Bank Loan	\$ _____
Finance Company	\$ _____
Furniture/Appliance	\$ _____
Car Loans	\$ _____
School Loans	\$ _____
IRS Debt	\$ _____
Other _____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
Total	\$ _____

**MONTHLY INCOME
(If weekly, multiply by 4)**

Employment	
Job 1 (actual take home pay)	\$ _____
Job 2	\$ _____
Spouse	
Job 1 (actual take home pay)	\$ _____
Job 2	\$ _____
Child Support	\$ _____
Retirement	\$ _____
Social Security	\$ _____
SSI or Disability	\$ _____
Food Stamps	\$ _____
VA	\$ _____
Unemployment	\$ _____
AFDC	\$ _____
Dividends/Interest	\$ _____
Other _____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
Total	\$ _____

MONTHLY EXPENSES

Rent	\$ _____
Mortgage	\$ _____
Real Estate Tax & Home Own Insur.	\$ _____
Car Payment(s)	\$ _____
Auto Insurance	\$ _____
Electric	\$ _____
Gas	\$ _____
Water	\$ _____
Food	\$ _____
Phone(s)	\$ _____
Cable TV	\$ _____
Child Daycare	\$ _____
Child Support	\$ _____
Life Insurance	\$ _____
Contributions	\$ _____
Credit Cards	\$ _____
School Loans	\$ _____
Bank Loans	\$ _____
Finance Co. Loans	\$ _____
Furniture/Appliances	\$ _____
Other _____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
Total	\$ _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Have you seen a financial planner/advisor within the last 6 months? Yes No

Who? _____

Have you contacted anyone else for assistance within the last 6 months? Yes No

Please specify amount(s) received _____

Family/Friends _____

Churches/Agencies _____

What steps are you taking to improve your present situation? _____

What is the name of your church? _____

(If RiverTree Christian Church, which campus do you attend? ? Portage St. Massillon HS)

Address _____ Phone (____) _____

Minister's Name _____ Phone (____) _____

Do you regularly attend church? Yes No Since _____

How frequently _____ Are you a member? Yes No

Who suggested that you contact RiverTree Christian Church? _____

Relationship _____ Phone (____) _____

Have you previously received help from RiverTree Christian Church? Yes No

When?/What? _____

<u>Reference Names</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Relationship</u>

DESCRIBE YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST:

AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION

1. The undersigned applicant for assistance from RiverTree Christian Church of Massillon, Ohio (hereinafter referred to as "Church" or any person or volunteer working with the "Church" to release or receive any and all information without restriction or qualifications, from the record of the affiant(s).
2. The undersigned further authorizes any agency, group or entity to release any and all information without restriction or qualification from the file or record of the undersigned to the Church for the purpose of consideration of my request to the Church for assistance.
3. The undersigned understand, agrees and authorizes that any and all such information received or released will be reviewed by the Benevolence Ministry of RiverTree Christian Church for purposes of consideration of my request.

PLEASE SIGN BELOW

Date _____

Applicant _____ Witness _____