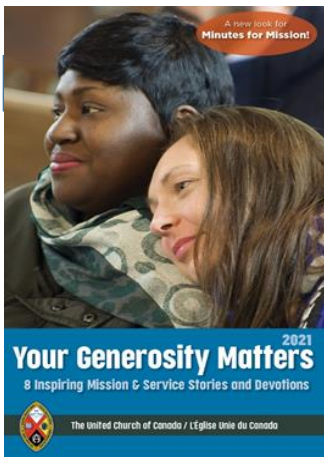


# Stewardship Updates!

## God's Mission Our Gifts

To stay up to date and receive important Stewardship news and resources, please subscribe to our Newsletter, **God's Mission Our Gifts**. Do it [here](#).

### Mission & Service:



Minutes for Mission has long been a key way of telling stories about the shared justice work of the United Church. And it's changing in 2021.

The COVID-19 pandemic has changed the way we look at sharing our Mission & Service stories. "Usually, we write Minutes for Mission stories a year in advance. When the pandemic hit, many of the stories...were completely out of touch with our current reality," says Sarah Charters, the Acting Director of the United Church's Philanthropy Unit.

So this year, we are publishing eight stories in our Minutes for Mission booklet, called "Your Generosity Matters." Rather than describing programs, these stories will feature eight real people whose lives have been transformed or who are helping change lives, thanks to generous Mission & Service gifts. All eight stories will be accompanied by videos that can be adapted for a variety of screens, as well as devotions, including scripture readings, prayers and reflection questions for personal devotions, meetings and small groups.

There will also be special Minutes for Mission stories and videos for Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas. In addition, more news-focused features that can be shared as Minutes for Mission will be published all year long. All of the Minutes for Mission stories will be available in January, and the news stories will begin to roll out in the new year. All of the stories will be accessible by clicking on Mission & Service on the United Church website's home page at [united-church.ca](http://united-church.ca) and will also be shared in our God's **Mission Our Gifts** newsletter.

### Where to find Mission & Service Resources:

We have moved our Mission & Service materials to the [unitedchurch.ca](http://unitedchurch.ca) webpage. Here you will find great resources and stories to share about how, together, we make a tremendous difference in the lives of people – near and far.

Great new [Mission & Service Video](#) for Advent and Christmas. Check it out [here](#).

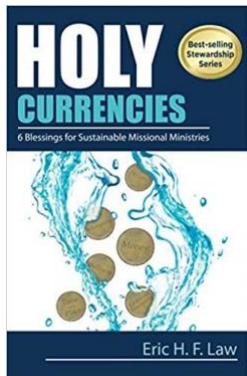
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If you just read ONE book this month:



[Holy Currencies](#) by Eric H. F. Law

Eric Law, an Episcopal priest and founder of the Kaleidoscope Institute in Los Angeles looks at and beyond money as a currency of exchange and explores the abundance each of our congregations already has. He shows us how to help the six currencies in the “Cycle of Blessing” flow through us, “recirculating resources and regenerating more currencies, thereby growing and expanding the ministry.” Through the author’s stories, exercises, and activities, you will learn to evaluate how your church enables church members to measure and value the six holy currencies.

Available from the [United Church Bookstore](#).

### Don't forget me!!!

While in-person visits and workshops are suspended at this time, please know that I am here as a Stewardship Resource for you. I am available by telephone, e-mail and Zoom and would be excited to participate in online consultations with individuals and groups and to continue to share resources in the areas of Congregational Giving, Mission & Service, Planned Legacy Giving, United Church Foundation and investing opportunities for your congregation. Please do not hesitate to be in touch. Rev. Roger Janes, Stewardship & Gifts Officer.

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