

## Colorado Family Church: The Lifeboat (Revamped Love Offering Fund)

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*The Lifeboat*

This is Dr. Hentrich Sr. I would like to introduce you to the new and improved version of the "Love Offering Fund," called "The Lifeboat". What is The Lifeboat? Like the previous Love Offering Fund, it is a way in which we Colorado Family Church members can offer a helping hand to a member or family in need when a serious financial crisis arises in their life. We have seen a number of these unexpected crises arise in member's lives over the past few years. Dr. D. Michael Hentrich, Sr., will work with other members of our community to manage this lay ministry. The

new Lifeboat will have clear guidelines and structure for the administration of the money you give to it. For example:

In order to apply for assistance, a family-in-need must be a formal and active member of the Colorado Family Church, according to current membership guidelines or grandfathered in, with new members having completed the Membership Course.

A family and/or the members of a family may not apply for assistance more than one time in a 12-month period.

The Lifeboat committee will consider each application and decide whether or not the type of need is appropriate for The Lifeboat, and if it is, then they will also decide how much assistance can and will be offered to the family-in-need. The Lifeboat will not be connected to the local Church leadership or assets.

If it is feasible for the family-in-need, it is requested that they try to repay the assistance in the future, if and when their financial situation allows. But, this will NOT be a requirement to receive assistance.

Requests for assistance will be limited to essential living expenses only. Optional, discretionary expenses will not be considered.

All requests for assistance will be made in writing by completing The Lifeboat Application for Assistance Form.

Any assistance given will be paid directly from The Lifeboat account to the entity which needs payment (i.e. the landlord, utility company, etc.) for the benefit of those in need.

We sincerely hope that this new program will be inspiring for everyone as a structured and managed way in which we can respond to the emergency needs of members of our community when they might arise. We hope you will contribute to The Lifeboat from time to time. Donations to The Lifeboat will not be tax deductible, and can be made by cash or check through the regular offering envelopes at Church. Just mark your envelope "The Lifeboat" or make your checks payable to: "The Lifeboat". Thank you.

Dr. D. Michael Hentrich, Sr.