



GENEROUS GIVING

# A Joyfully Generous Year

What if this year could be a year like no other?

What if you set a goal to make it your most joyfully generous year?

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## ✚ Reflect

What are some areas where you were generous this past year? (Think through your labor, influence, finances, expertise.)

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What were some of your giving highlights from this past year?

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Was your heart stirred this past year to make a difference in a certain place, ministry, people group, or problem? What moved you? Take time to reflect on when you felt compelled to take action or learn more.

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What were some times you might have missed an opportunity to be generous this past year?

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## 🎥 Watch a Story

Go to Naomi and Zee's story: [generousgiving.org/naomi-and-zee/](https://generousgiving.org/naomi-and-zee/)

What stood out to you?

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Naomi mentions she is working two or three times harder than her corporate job, not getting paid and yet she is more fulfilled. Have you had to give something up in order to follow God's invitation to generosity?

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Have you experienced fulfillment and joy in your giving or does it feel more like a duty? Why?

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## ✠ Rejoice

Take five to 10 minutes to pray (alone, with your spouse, or with a prayer partner) that God would direct your upcoming year. Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide you to the places where he wants you to be his hands and feet.

*Reference the last page of this guide for a Prayer of Saint Francis.*

## ✠ Re-Imagine:

Where do you feel that God might be calling you to generosity in the new year?

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What obstacles would you have to overcome to have your most joyfully generous year?

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List three action steps you can take to move toward your vision.

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## ✚ Reveal

Take time to share what God revealed to you during this time. If it would be helpful, share your action steps with a close confidant who can pray for you, encourage you, and share your joy!

Write their name on the line below:

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*Consider printing this guide and putting it somewhere where you will see it. Revisit your vision and continue to bring your hopes for this year before God.*

*“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”*

Romans 15:13

# A Joyfully Generous Prayer

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Lord make Me an instrument of Your peace  
Where there is hatred let me sow love.  
Where there is injury, pardon.  
Where there is doubt, faith.  
Where there is despair, hope.  
Where there is darkness, light.  
Where there is sadness joy.  
O Divine master grant that I may  
Not so much seek to be consoled as to console  
To be understood, as to understand.  
To be loved as to love  
For it's in giving that we receive  
And it's in pardoning that we are pardoned  
And it's in dying that we are born...  
To eternal life.

*Prayer of Saint Francis*