

Smart Stewardship: How We Saved Thousands by Using Nonprofit Tools and Low-Cost Alternatives

In today's world, wise financial management is more important than ever for churches and ministries. Every dollar saved can be redirected toward fulfilling the Great Commission, whether through missions, community outreach, discipleship programs, or maintaining facilities that serve the body of Christ. By choosing nonprofit-specific tools and low-cost alternatives, churches can stretch their budgets further without sacrificing quality or effectiveness. Stewarding church finances well is not just practical, it's a reflection of our commitment to honoring God with the resources He provides. With just a few changes, we are on track to save more than \$4,000 per year. Perhaps these tips will help you or start your journey towards being a better steward of the finances God has entrusted you with.

Category	Previous Cost	New Cost	Annual Savings
Video Conferencing	\$170/year (Zoom)	\$0/year (Google Workspace for non-profits using Meet)	\$170/year
Phone Service	\$70/month = \$840/year	\$10/month = \$120/year (Google Voice)	\$720/year
Internet	\$110/month = \$1,320/year	1st Yr: \$570 (Mint + Hotspot), 2nd Yr and beyond: \$360/year (Mint Mobile Only)	1st Yr: \$750, 2nd Yr and beyond: \$960/year
Domain Registration	\$25/year (GoDaddy)	\$7/year (Namecheap)	\$18/year
Website & Church Mgmt	\$310/year (Website and hosting)	\$288/year (ChurchTrac)	\$22/year + added features
Video Teaching Library (RightNow Media)	\$90/month = \$1,080/year	\$0/year (Free for BRN pastors)	\$1,080/year
Printer Cartridges	\$100+ each (OEM)	\$20 each (LD Products, plus up to 20% more off with coupons)	\$80+ per cartridge

God calls His people to be faithful stewards of all He entrusts to them, including financial resources. When churches manage their budgets with wisdom and intentionality, they position themselves to do more for the Kingdom with less. These savings are not just numbers, they represent opportunities to minister, to grow, and to share the Gospel. From choosing affordable tools like ChurchTrac to sourcing printer cartridges for a fraction of the cost at LD Products, there are countless ways to save. Let us be found faithful with the treasures the Lord has placed in our care, using every tool and resource wisely, for His glory and the good of His people.

<https://www.google.com/nonprofits/offerings/workspace/>

<https://voice.google.com/>

<https://www.namecheap.com/>

<https://www.churchtrac.com/>

<https://www.brnunited.org/>