

FAQs

Q: What happens if someone from GLCC asks me to donate money to help a particular clause or meet a particular need?

A: You should decide if you want to participate to this private fund raising as part of a small closed group. You should apply the above considerations and be aware that the church has no oversight of such private fund raising. If you are unclear or uncomfortable with any fund-raising request that comes to your attention, please speak to your CG leaders, Deacons or Elders of the church or write in to shine@gosepllight.sg

Q: I feel compelled to start or support a private fund raising to meet a particular need. Besides asking an immediate close group of friends I know, can I make the request known openly and solicit funds e.g. through a mass WhatsApp group?

A: No, you should not make use of a mass WhatsApp group to raise funds beyond your immediate circle of friends. If you reach out to a wider audience beyond your close group of friends, it could be deemed as a fund-raising appeal to the larger body of the church. Such fund raising exercise should not be conducted unilaterally by any member of the church. Rather, it should be administered by the Mercy Ministry overseen by the church deacons.

As an example, if you decide to raise funds among your own CG members, it is considered a private fund raising exercise and the above private funding considerations would apply. But if you want to appeal to the other CGs in the church, it would be considered as a fund-raising appeal to the larger body of the church. Such initiative should be administered by the Mercy Ministry. The Mercy Ministry will decide on the merits of each case if a wider appeal to the larger body of the church is necessary.

Q: Can I contribute funds to the church and ask the church to give the monies to the beneficiary?

A: You can specify designated offering when giving to the church. The designated offering is then given to the specific beneficiary. As part of its operations, the church already administers funds to missions and other needy causes using the general offerings i.e. a proportion of your general offerings is already given to these causes.