

Sunday Morning Offering Counting Procedure

(To view our video tutorial, visit: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WqWd-EF3XaY)

- 1. Empty Offering Bags onto Counting Table.
- 2. Separate the Loose Currency (money not inside an envelope).
- 3. Count the Loose Currency and write the total in the "Loose Cash/Ofrenda Suelta" box on the middle, right-side of counting sheet. Set the loose currency aside in a pile separated by denominations.
- 4. Begin opening envelopes and removing contents as follows: <u>Separate the envelopes by currency type (cash or check).</u>
 - A. Open envelope and remove contents, one envelope at a time.
 - B. <u>Circle Amount and Check Number or Cash</u> with a <u>red</u> pen to confirm amount and type. If amount written by the contributor is unclear make sure to write the amount clearly and initial. <u>Currency is to be separated into denominations and combined with the loose cash pile</u>. Checks are to be placed in their own pile.
 - i. NOTE: DO NOT throw out any envelopes. If an envelope does not contain any information but has currency inside, please follow the same process indicated in step B.
 - C. Repeat step B for all tithe/offering envelopes.
 - D. Count all coins and enter the total in the "Coins/Monedas" box located in the middle left-hand side of form.
 - E. Count all cash (*including the loose cash*) and enter the amounts of each denomination on the counting sheet in each respective box in the "Tithes/Diezmos" column.
 - i. **NOTE: DO NOT** use the <u>"TOTAL (for office use only)"</u> column located on right-side of T&O sheet. The New Life Central Services Team will use this column for verifying purposes.
 - ii. **NOTE:** Two people need to count the cash together at the same time. Do not have one person counting the cash and one person counting the checks.
 - F. Once the coins and cash are broken down on the form, add the totals of each denomination with the total coins under the "Tithes/Diezmos" column and enter that total in the "Cash/Coins Efectivo y Monedas" box.
 - G. Add all the checks and enter that total on the counting sheet in "Checks/Cheques" box under the "Tithes/Diezmos" column. IMPORTANT: Checks are to be endorsed with the New Life Bank Stamp during this step.



- H. Add the "Cash/Coins Efectivo y Monedas" and "Checks/Cheques" and enter that total in the "Total Offering/Ofrenda" box.
- 5. Repeat step 4 for each additional fund, should you choose to use the "Other/Otro" columns.
 - i. NOTE: Use these columns only if you are sure how to separate funds.
- 6. Sign the counting form and place all cash, checks, envelopes and counting sheet in the Security Bag provided to you. Seal the bag and place in safe.
 - i. **NOTE:** Security Bag must be completed on the outside (i.e. Midway English 9:30am, Midway English 11:30am, Midway Spanish 9:30, etc). *There should be one bag per each service.*

If there are any questions regarding this procedure, please do not hesitate to contact the accounting department at the number or email below.

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IMPORTANT: A minimum of two counters are required to count and verify the offering. These two individuals must not be related in any way (i.e. spouses, parent/child, etc.). The Pastor or Pastors wife are not to be part of the counting team.