## From Debt to Life: How to Beat Credit Crisis and Build Financial Freedom

## What's Going On with Your Debt? (What You Owe)

## **Secured Debts**

Secured debts are loans for purchases that can be "repossessed" if you don't make the payments on time (e.g., home mortgages, loans for a car, boat, motorcycle, or other property).

Who You Owe (Name of Creditor, Account Number)	Current Balance	Interest Rate	Payment Due Date	Date to Be Paid Off

## **Unsecured Debts**

*Unsecured* debts refer to loans or credit that is granted for items that are not secured by the item purchased (for example -- credit card balances, personal lines of credit, revolving accounts at department stores, personal loans, unpaid medical bills, and student loans).

Who You Owe (Name of Creditor, Account Number)	Current Balance	Interest Rate	Payment Due Date	Date to Be Paid Off

What's Coming Into Your Checkbook? (Your Income)

Monthly Income Source	Gross	Net	Fixed, Variable, Potential for Increase?
Salary—Wage Earner 1			
Salary—Wage Earner 2			
Bonuses, Commissions, and Overtime			
Dividends / Interest			
Child Support / Alimony			
Social Security / Pension			
Rental Property			
Business			
Other			
Totals			

What's Going Out of Your Checkbook? (Your Expenses)

Expense Category	Current Amount	% of Gross Income	Guideline Spending %	Category	Projected Amount
Tithe / Offerings / Donations			10–15%		

Taxes & Social Security	15–30%	
Savings & Pensions	5-10%	
Food	10–20%	
Groceries		
Restaurants		
Housing & Utilities	25–40%	
Rent / Mortgage		
Home / Rental Insurance		
Property Taxes		
Telephone		
Gas / Electricity		
Water / Sewage		
Cell Phone / Pager		
Cable / Internet		
Household Operations		
Transportation	15–20%	
Car Payment		
Car Insurance		
Gas / Maintenance		
Medical / Healthcare	5–15%	
Medical / Dental		
Medical Insurance		
Education & Child Care	2–10%	
Education & Supplies		
Child Care		
Child Support		
Life Insurance	5–8%	
Personal Care	2-6%	
Clothing / Footwear		

Asset	Market Value Amount Owed Income if Sold						
	What	Assets Yo	u Hav	/e (What You Ov	wn)		
Totals							
Other							
Equipment							
Alimony							
Pet Care							
Miscellaneous				3–5%			
Secured Loans							
Unsecured Loans / Credit Cards							
Debt				4–14%			
Hobbies							
Recreation							
Entertainment							
Entertainment & Recreation				2–5%			
Gifts							
Cleaning / Laundry							
Hair / Personal Care							

Asset	Market Value	Amount Owed	Income if Sold

My Goals

My Short-Term Goals	Action Steps (What I will do <u>now</u> )

My Long-Term Goals	Action Steps (What I will do in the next 1, 5, 10+ years)
Within 1 Year	
1.	
2.	
3.	
Within 5 Years	
1.	
2.	
3.	
Within 10 Years	
1.	
2.	
3.	
Within 15 Years	
1.	
2.	
3.	
Longer Range	
1.	
2.	
3.	

Your Weekly Spending Record

Expense Category	Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Total
Tithes/Charitable Donations								
Taxes & Social Security								
Savings & Pensions								
Food								
Groceries								
Restaurants								
Housing & Utilities								
Rent / Mortgage								
Home / Rental Insurance								
Property Taxes								
Telephone								
Gas / Electricity								
Water / Sewage								
Cell Phone / Pager								
Cable / Internet								
Household Operations								
Transportation								
Car Payment								

Car Insurance				
Gas / Maintenance				
Medical / Healthcare				
Medical / Dental				
Medical Insurance				
Personal				
Gifts				
Vacation				
Personal Debt				
TOTALS				

**Your Monthly Spending Record** 

Expense Category	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Total
	Week I	WCCK 2	Week 5	Week 4	Week 3	Total
Tithes/Charitable Donations						
Taxes & Social Security						
Savings & Pensions						
Food						
Groceries						
Restaurants						
Housing & Utilities						
Rent / Mortgage						
Home / Rent Insurance						
Property Taxes						
Telephone						
Gas / Electricity						
Water / Sewage						
Cell Phone / Pager						
Cable / Internet						
Household Operations						
Transportation						
Car Payment						
Car Insurance						
Gas / Maintenance						

Medical / Healthcare			
Medical / Dental			
Medical Insurance			
Personal			
Gifts			
Vacation			
Personal Debt			

Your Yearly Spending Record

Your Yearly Spending Record													
Expense Category	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Tot
Tithe/Charit. Donations													
Taxes & Social Security													
Savings & Pensions													
Food													
Housing & Utilities													
Transportation													
Medical / Healthcare													
Education & Child Care													
Life Insurance													
Personal Care													
Entertainment & Recreation													
Debt													
Miscellaneous													
Total Spending													
Budgeted Amount													
Over / Under Budget													