Returning home last Thanksgiving, a young executive, a member of the United Church of Christ, raised a question at the big family dinner. Since he traveled frequently for work, he could only be at his church one Sunday a month—so he wanted to know: "Why is it that I can pay all of my bills electronically, but I can’t give this way to my church?"

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