Getting Out of Debt Worksheet

Outstanding Debts for Month of:
Total Debt – Beginning of Month:
Total Minimum Payments:
Total Paid Towards Interest:
Total Paid Towards Principal:
Total New Purchases:
Total Progress towards being Debt-Free:
(Amount Paid Towards Principal minus New Purchases)
Total Debt – Ending of Month:

Creditor	Total \$ Owed	Monthly Payment \$	Interest \$	Principal \$	Past Due?

Creditor	Total \$ Owed	Monthly Payment \$	Interest \$	Principal \$	Past Due?

Financial Health Worksheet

As of:	
Assets	
Cash:	
Checkbooks:	
Savings:	
Investments:	
401k, IRA, etc:	
Value of House:	
Value of Vehicles:	
Other Assets:	
Total Assets:	
Liabilities	
Credit Cards:	
Vehicle Loans & Leases:	
Home Mortgage:	
Home Equity Loans:	
Cell Phone Plans:	
Other Loans:	
Taxes Due:	
Total Liabilities:	
Net Worth	
Total Assets:	
Minus	
Total Liabilities:	
Total Net Worth	

Bank / Checkbook Reconciliation

Bank Says: Ending Statement Balance	I Say: Ending Checkbook Balance
(A):	(D):
Plus - Deposits I Made – Entered in my Checkbook but Not shown on Statement:	Plus - Deposits I Made - Forgot to Enter in my Checkbook - Shown on Statement:
Total (B):	Total (E):
Minus - Checks, Debits, or ATM's I've used – Entered in Checkbook - Not shown on Statement:	Minus - Checks, Debits, or ATM's I've used - Forgot to Enter in Checkbook - Shown on Statement:
Total (C):	Total (F):
What <u>Bank</u> Says my Checkbook balance Should be:	What <u>I</u> say my Checkbook balance Should be:
A plus B minus C:	D plus E minus F:

- Go look for errors in your check register, make the correction, and try again... **OR**
 - Change your Checkbook balance to match what Bank Says it should be.
 - When done, mark the Corrected Balance "OK" and Initial it with Today's date.

Job #1:		Giving:
Job #1: Job #2:	_	Saving:
Other Income:		Allowances:
other meome.		Allowances: Total:
Dob	t Reduction:	List:
Creditor #1:		List.
Creditor #2:	, \$	
Creditor #3:	, \$ \$	
Creditor #4:	, \$	
Creditor #5:		
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ving		Internet:
Food & Supplies:		Subscriptions:
Meals Out:		Sports:
Clothing:		Hobbies:
Doctors & Dentists:		Pets:
Personal Care:		Vacations:
Prescriptions:		Other:
Day Care:		Schooling
ousing		Pre-School:
Rent or Mortgage:		Tuitions:
Telephone:	_	Supplies:
Cell Phone:	_	Day Care:
Electric:	_	Other:
Natural Gas:		Insurance
Water & Sewer:		Home Owners:
Garbage:		Automobile:
Tennant Fees:		Health & Accident:
Maintenance:		Life:
Furniture:		Other:
Other:		Taxes
ransportation		Property:
Gas & Oil:		Income:
Bus Tickets:		Estimated:
Parking:	_	Other:
Maintenance:		Miscellaneous
Licenses:		Office Supplies:
Other:	· -	Other:
ntertainment	-	
Gifts:		
Dates:		
Babysitters:	- 	
tal Discretionary: In	ncome:	- Mandatory: Debt:
cretionary:	= Net:	

Spending Plan for (Month): _____

Chart #1- Credit Card Purchase

Typical Credit Card Purchase of \$30.00. **\$1.00** Minimum Monthly Payment. Interest Rate of 18%.

Month #	Payment	Principal	Interest	Balance
1	\$1.00	\$0.55	\$0.45	\$29.45
2 3	\$1.00	\$0.56	\$0.44	\$28.89
	\$1.00	\$0.57	\$0.43	\$28.33
4	\$1.00	\$0.58	\$0.42	\$27.75
5	\$1.00	\$0.58	\$0.42	\$27.17
6	\$1.00	\$0.59	\$0.41	\$26.57
7	\$1.00	\$0.60	\$0.40	\$25.97
8	\$1.00	\$0.61	\$0.39	\$25.36
9	\$1.00	\$0.62	\$0.38	\$24.74
10	\$1.00	\$0.63	\$0.37	\$24.11
11	\$1.00	\$0.64	\$0.36	\$23.48
12	\$1.00	\$0.65	\$0.35	\$22.83
13	\$1.00	\$0.66	\$0.34	\$22.17
14	\$1.00	\$0.67	\$0.33	\$21.50
15	\$1.00	\$0.68	\$0.32	\$20.82
16	\$1.00	\$0.69	\$0.31	\$20.14
17	\$1.00	\$0.70	\$0.30	\$19.44
18	\$1.00	\$0.71	\$0.29	\$18.73
19	\$1.00	\$0.72	\$0.28	\$18.01
20	\$1.00	\$0.73	\$0.27	\$17.28
21	\$1.00	\$0.74	\$0.26	\$16.54
22	\$1.00	\$0.75	\$0.25	\$15.79
23	\$1.00	\$0.76	\$0.24	\$15.03
24	\$1.00	\$0.77	\$0.23	\$14.25
25	\$1.00	\$0.79	\$0.21	\$13.47
26	\$1.00	\$0.80	\$0.20	\$12.67
27	\$1.00	\$0.81	\$0.19	\$11.86
28	\$1.00	\$0.82	\$0.18	\$11.04
29	\$1.00	\$0.83	\$0.17	\$10.20
30	\$1.00	\$0.85	\$0.15	\$9.35
31	\$1.00	\$0.86	\$0.14	\$8.49
32	\$1.00	\$0.87	\$0.13	\$7.62
33	\$1.00	\$0.89	\$0.11	\$6.74
34	\$1.00	\$0.90	\$0.10	\$5.84
35	\$1.00	\$0.91	\$0.09	\$4.92
36	\$1.00	\$0.93	\$0.07	\$4.00
37	\$1.00	\$0.94	\$0.06	\$3.06
38	\$1.00	\$0.95	\$0.05	\$2.10
39	\$1.00	\$0.97	\$0.03	\$1.14
40	\$1.00	\$0.98	\$0.02	\$0.15
Totals	\$40.00	\$29.85	\$10.15	

Chart #2 - Credit Card Purchase — Paying More than Minimums

Typical Credit Card Purchase of \$30.00. **\$2.00** Monthly Payment (Minimum of \$1.00 plus \$1.00 extra.) Interest Rate of 18%.

Month #	Payment	Principal	Interest	Balance
1	\$2.00	\$1.55	\$0.45	\$28.45
2	\$2.00	\$1.57	\$0.43	\$26.88
3	\$2.00	\$1.60	\$0.40	\$25.28
4	\$2.00	\$1.62	\$0.38	\$23.66
5	\$2.00	\$1.65	\$0.35	\$22.01
6	\$2.00	\$1.67	\$0.33	\$20.34
7	\$2.00	\$1.69	\$0.31	\$18.65
8	\$2.00	\$1.72	\$0.28	\$16.93
9	\$2.00	\$1.75	\$0.25	\$15.18
10	\$2.00	\$1.77	\$0.23	\$13.41
11	\$2.00	\$1.80	\$0.20	\$11.61
12	\$2.00	\$1.83	\$0.17	\$9.79
13	\$2.00	\$1.85	\$0.15	\$7.93
14	\$2.00	\$1.88	\$0.12	\$6.05
15	\$2.00	\$1.91	\$0.09	\$4.14
16	\$2.00	\$1.94	\$0.06	\$2.20
17	\$2.00	\$1.97	\$0.03	\$0.24
18	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Totals	\$36.00	\$30.00	\$6.00	

Found Money

- Take lunch
- Make Sandwiches
- Avoid fast food
- Clip coupons
- Make a grocery list and stick to it
- □ Have a yard or garage sale
- Sell some stuff on e-Bay
- Walk somewhere instead of driving
- Save your change
- Buy Generic
- Cancel extra phone charges
- Cancel cable
- Write a letter instead of phoning
- Make do
- Make do without
- Swap services
- Don't buy books, use the library
- Don't buy music, listen to radio
- Don't rent videos, use library
- Make gifts
- Buy kids clothes at thrift shops
- Buy your clothes at thrift shops
- Adjust thermostat, and dress for comfort
- Take shorter showers
- Cancel magazine subscriptions
- Cancel daily paper and watch or listen to news on TV or radio
- Cut your kid's hair yourself
- Do your own manicures
- Make your own gift wrap
- □ Learn to cook, mend, sew
- Learn to repair, build, make

- □ Enroll in your company's 401K
- □ If 401K not available, start an IRA
- Going out? Get dessert instead of dinner.
- Pet sit, plant sit, or baby sit
- Use a clothes line instead of a clothes dryer
- Turn off lights
- Set hot water heater temperature down
- Cell phone? Buy cheapest plan and use only for emergencies.
- Let your children play with you instead of a new toy.
- □ Take an "at home" vacation.
- Make your own coffee and carry a thermos instead buying at a coffee shop.
- Don't over or under withhold on your W-4's.
- Get a part time job.
- Start your own part time service business.
- Use leftovers
- Don't use the ATM
- Change your own auto oil

Home Business Ideas

All of the following business ideas have little or no initial investment. Clients can be located through net working, community or church bulletin boards, and flyers in your neighborhood. If your goal is to make an additional \$25 to \$100 per month, all these can be done in very limited time. If you choose a business that requires an investment in tools, supplies, equipment, or merchandise, be sure to keep very good records for tax purposes. Charge for your time and any additional expenses.

Child Care

One or two children week days

Occasional nighttime sitting so other couples can go out

After school care for a few children

Breakfast and "off to school" care for neighbor kids

Bill Paying Service

Write checks, balance checkbook, and file paid bills for people or small businesses.

Shopping Service

Grocery shopping

Gift shopping

Housekeeping

Whole house cleaning for one or two families

Specialized services such as oven cleaning, window washing, freezer defrosting, etc.

Yard Care

Lawn mowing

Weeding

Pruning

Raking

Yard debris clean up

Home Maintenance

Painting interior or exterior

Repairs

Putting up/taking down screens or storm windows

Cleaning gutters

Decorating

Children's rooms

Wall paper hanging

Cooking

Baking

Occasional meals or specialties for people that don't have resources to cook or bake for themselves.

Gift Baskets/ Gift-Wrapping

Assemble gift baskets from client's purchases.

Wrap Christmas or birthday gifts.

Pet Or Plant Sitting

Daytime companionship for a neighbor's dog or cat.

Vacation care for pets or plants

Cleaning and watering indoor plants for houses or businesses

Errands

Shopping, laundry, pick-up and delivery.

Children's Parties

Plan and/or provide services for children's parties such as themes, decorations, invitations, games, food, favors, etc.

Scrapbooking

Create entire scrapbook or just scrapbook pages for new moms, brides, graduates, first birthdays, retirements, sport or dancing event, or any special occasion.

Service Swapping Coordinator

Charge service credit or cash to members of co-op to handle bookkeeping, appointments, and maintain database for service swapping.

That Second Job

Factors to consider when thinking of a non-working spouse returning to the workplace.

- 1. Childcare
- 2. Clothing
- 2. Personal Upkeep
- 3. Meals
- 3. Transportation
- 4. Timesavers
- 5. Meals Out Due to Fatigue
- 5. Time-forced Extra Purchases
- 6. Rewards
- 7. Federal Income Taxes
- 8. State Taxes
- 9. FICA Taxes
- 10. "Deductible" job expenses
- 11. Employee Cost of Benefits
- 11. Perks

Added Fatigue

Added Stress

Decrease in Sex Life

Domestic Chores Division – or Lack

Loss of Contact with Children's Lives

Reduced Communication

Reduction in Other Spouse's Income

Source for numbered items: *Two Incomes and Still Broke*, Linda Kelley, Times Books, NY, 1996.

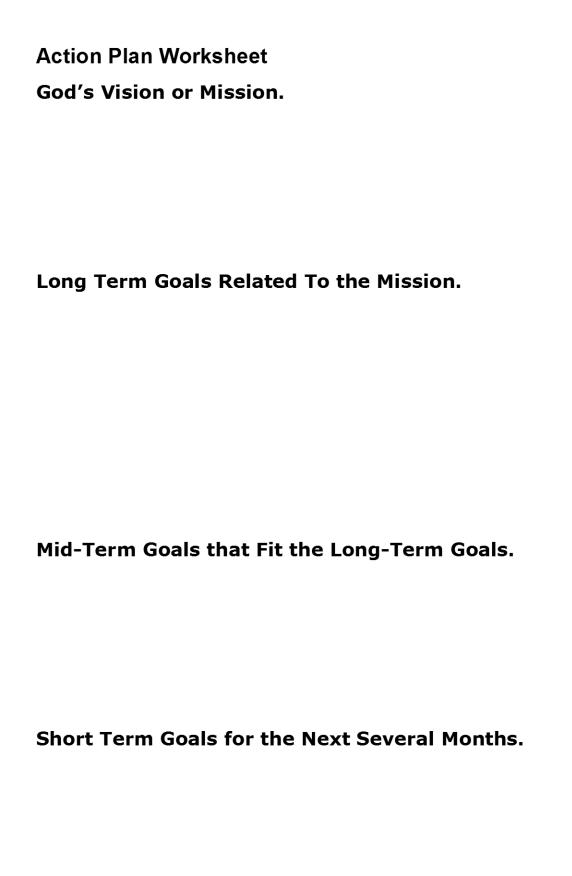
Mary and Arturo both save \$1,000 per year (\$83.33 per month or \$19.23 per week). The money each saves earns 10% interest per year.

Mary starts at age 22 and stops at age 30.

Arturo starts at age 30 and stops at age 65*.

Age	Mary Invests	Growth	Arturo Invests	Growth
			0	
			0	
			0	
			0	
			0	
			0	
			0	
29	1,000	12,579	0	
			1,000	
31	0	15,221	1,000	2,310
32	0	16,743	1,000	3,641
			1,000	
			1,000	
			1,000	
			1,000	
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			1,000	
39	0	32,628	1,000	17,531
40	0	35,891	1,000	20,384
41	0	39,480	1,000	23,523
42	0	43.428	1,000	26.975
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			1,000	
			1,000	
63	0	321,376	1,000	270,024
64	0	353,514	1,000	298,127
			1,000	
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			tal Contributions\$(3	
			t Earnings\$294,0	
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Action Plan Details
How to Deal with God
How to Deal with Planning
How to Deal with Spending
How to Deal with Saving
Any Other Actions to Take

Action Plan Steps

Each Day, Do the Following: 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. Each Week, Do the Following: 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. Each Month, Do the Following: 1. 2. 3.

4.

5.

Honor God with Your Life

Spend Less than You Earn

Avoid Debt

Provide for the Future

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