

# Interface

Making Ministry Manageable

## Ultimate Security

Cloud-hosted on 26 Tier III Data Centers. Data in transit is 256 bit encrypted with Certified 2048 bit key encryption.

## Electronic Giving

Give members the convenience of Internet contributions, tithes and pledges. Secure, ease of use, customizable.

## Staying Connected

The success of your ministry requires staying in touch. Text messaging, VOIP voice messages, Intelligent Mail and e-mail are integrated with your database.

## Intuitive Use

Immediate access to all applications. Keep several open at a time. Access multiple programs from one window.



## Member Access

## Unite<sup>®</sup>

### Is Coming To Your Church

Customized Apps open the door for your congregation to access data, activities and involvement in the life of the church.

With the convenience of tablets and smartphones your members have access to information of interest to them, can communicate with other members, and can be involved in church activities and groups.

RDS is preparing to release customized applications your members can download. There are benefits for every church, large and small.

- **Family and Individual Information** - See and update information about their own families and individuals
- **Make Contributions** - Make gifts and pay fees
- **See Personal Contribution and Payment History**
- **Church Directory** - See photo directory. Send e-mail and add photos

More features will be added in a later release.

*Control which of the features to include for your church - all or selected ones*

*Apps are integrated with your RDS database*

*Provide these apps to your members for a low annual cost*

*Economical cost is based upon average weekly worship attendance*



**Unite<sup>®</sup>** is for churches using RDS Connect, Cloud-hosted systems

## Customize Your Check-In Desktop

New features have been added to the check-in application so you can customize each check-in station to match its use.

Add graphic images to the page and customize fonts used for numbers so those checking in will identify with the graphics.

Download the Check-In Tutorial from the RDS website for additional information and help.



### RDS Training Classes

- If you have never attended a training class;
- If you have not attended a class in the last two years;
- If you have taken on different responsibilities;
- If you want to learn about new features and capabilities

THEN - sign up for a class at a convenient time for you.

You can enroll for just the classes that cover your work area:

- Monday.....Member Records and Contact Management
- Tuesday.....Activity Records and Insta Check-In
- Wednesday...Contributions and Bank Reconciliation
- Thursday.....General Ledger and Accounts Payable/Cash Disb.
- Friday.....Payroll and Accounts Receivable

More than 300 new features and enhancements are added to RDS Advantage each year. You will find capabilities you didn't know you had, and learn neat shortcuts and time-savers.

Contact Gail Miller at (800) 337-6328 or (405) 840-5177 to enroll.

### Enroll in classes for these dates:

<b>Jun 8-12</b>	<b>Jul 20-24</b>	<b>Aug 10-14</b>
<b>Sep 21-25</b>	<b>Oct 12-16</b>	<b>Nov 16-20</b>
<b>Dec 7-11</b>		



## e-Giving

Vanco Solutions electronic giving is the featured front page story in the Christian Computing Magazine's March issue. This is the e-giving solution RDS has integrated with its accounting system for your and your members' convenience.

Vanco Payment Solutions has been a pioneer in the electronic giving market since 1998. We sat down with David Eschen, Vice President of Product Strategy to talk about how e-Giving has evolved from the early days and what the trends are for the future.

### What should churches know about e-Giving in 2015 and where e-Giving is poised to go?

The adoption of e-Giving is following trends in retail payments. As consumers are getting more comfortable with paying online, and increasingly on mobile, it has increased the demand for churches to offer electronic payment options to members. It's not just millennials carrying less cash and using less checks. It's also baby boomers and they are the most generous group of givers. We just did a case study that showed e-giving was 25% of the donation plate in a church where the average member age was 60. Another case study we will be releasing shortly shows e-giving as 40 % of the donation plate.

There is definitely an uptick in churches wanting additional channels - requests for text messaging and kiosk payment options are on the upswing. Just looking at the sizeable increase in e-Giving providers in the market tells a lot about the increase in demand. On the horizon you will see things like the introduction of Apple Pay, with members making payments using their phone. These type of technologies enables churches to start doing things like geofencing which allows you to communicate with people based upon their physical location in the church. All this opens up the possibility of more spontaneous giving, as members hear something in church or get a text and think "I really like that" and make an on the spot donation. These are all exciting developments. But the bedrock benefit of e-Giving is still recurring donations, which do so much to help churches smooth out revenue and budget for the year. [http://ccmag.com/2015\\_03/ccmag2015\\_03.pdf](http://ccmag.com/2015_03/ccmag2015_03.pdf)



## Cross Story

Dick Webber's pastor asked if he would make a full-size cross for the Palm Sunday Service. Large enough wood was not available so he cut two big cedar trees from their front yard, and took them to a country sawmill. The owner of the sawmill would not accept payment because it was for a church. The cross is 9 1/2 feet tall and weighs about 300 pounds. Six inch steel spikes were used for the nails. The pastor's sermon highlighted the details of the Crucifixion, using the cross to illustrate. It was very moving.

