



# Church of Apple

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## Latest News

**Mac purchases now tax deductible** Recent changes in the tax code now define purchases of Macintosh hardware, peripherals, and software as a tax deductible donation to the Church of Apple. Buying a spare Mac never made more sense. Get one for every room in the house!

**New MacOS versions planned** The next version of MacOS is currently being planned by top Apple technical gurus. In the tradition of giving MacOS releases musical names, it is codenamed *Dirge*. It is expected to ship within two or three years and will wipe Windows off the face of the planet. The followup to *Dirge*, known inside Apple as *Requiem*, will ship three years later and will *really* wipe Windows off the face of the planet. And we mean it.

### Prayer for the Week

May my system always boot  
and my inits not conflict.

May I find a Mac version of that new game  
and may they not close the Mac section  
of the software store.

May our church remain solvent  
and may I have to reboot but infrequently.

May pestilence fall on the house of Bill Gates  
and may he be plagued with  
General Protection Faults.

May I be blessed with bountiful memory,  
plenty of disk space,  
and may I never see a Sad Mac.

## Notes From the Pastor's Desk

Brethren,  
We must always be trying to expand our faith, to bring it to those who have not yet seen the Truth. In some circles, this is known as *witnessing*. I prefer to call it *saving souls from the Hell that is Windows*.

Every day you encounter unfortunate people who have not experienced the rapture of MacOS or who do know know how much richer their lives could be. Should we be content to let them live in ignorance? No! We must *share* the joy with them, let them know what they are missing. Each of us, every one of us, must be active in bringing others to the faith.

Now, you might say, "Who am I to convince these people that their way is heathen? What talents of persuasion do I have?" Well, brothers and sisters, you are MacOS users, *and that alone is enough*. The heathen will see the Truth if only you pull back the curtains of ignorance and let the bright, cleansing light of MacOS shine through.

There are several techniques sowing seeds of understanding. First and foremost, we must live as examples to the glory of Apple. In the workplace, be especially productive when you use your Macintosh. Finish your work before the Windows users, and ensure that it is always correct as well as visually impressive. Most of all, when you are rewarded for your efforts, make it known that *none of this would have been possible without your Mac*. After all, it's the Truth.

Second, subtle reminders never hurt. For exmple, you may hear a Windows friend brag about the latest amazing task performed on his evil Intel system. Announce loudly, but firmly, that *they were doing that on the Macintosh three years ago*. Then proceed to demonstrate. Perhaps they might want to borrow your Mac for a while.

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