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Attn: Christie A. Preston
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Dear Ms. Preston:

I am writing to convey my comments on Form 990 and ways to enhance its quality, utility and clarity:
First, **all non-profit organizations should be treated equally**. That is, regardless of whether they espouse an atheist or non-religious position, or a religious position. Currently the IRS provides churches privileged treatment in that they are exempted from the disclosure requirements that all other 501(c)(3) organizations must comply with, or lose their exemption. We taxpayers are subsidizing tax-exempt groups and have a right to know what entities are exempt from taxation and to review general financial disclosures. Accountability must accompany the privilege of not being taxed.
Please **make churches conform to the same IRS requirements as all other 501(c)(3) groups**. At a minimum, the IRS should require any organizations that claim to be religious organizations, to file an annual notice with the IRS that they are claiming tax exemption.
Please make it fair. Thank you.

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