

# **GREAT** **COMMISSION** **BUDGETING**



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**GREAT**  
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**AND**

**STEWARDSHIP**

Therefore go and  
make disciples of all nations...  
baptizing them...  
teaching them...

Matthew 28:19a

# GREAT COMMISSION BUDGETING

- Affirm God's Ownership
- Affirm Christ's Lordship
- Acknowledge accountability
- Accept our responsibility

# GREAT COMMISSION BUDGETING: FOCUS

- Relationship between **Sharing the Gospel** and Stewardship
- Giving is an **Act** of Worship
- **Generous Giving** as a primary expression of Stewardship

# GENEROUS GIVING?



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. . . you will be my witnesses in  
Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and  
Samaria, and to the ends of the  
earth.

Acts 1:8b



# GREAT COMMISSION BUDGETING

“Christian stewardship and the Gospel are inseparable. It roots essentially not in programs but in a dynamic relationship with the living God” – W. Fisher

# GREAT COMMISSION BUDGETING

- **Proclaim** the Good News
- **Obey** the Good News
- **Align** Budget with the Great Commission
- **Measure** church activities by the Great Commission

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# GREAT COMMISSION BUDGETING: WHAT?

- NOT Just changing formats!
- Church is an instrument to fulfill the Great Commission
- Examine current budget in light of Great Commission

# **GREAT COMMISSION BUDGETING: WHY?**

Does your budget inspire?

**“A Church that is about the business of Christ’s mission is in the midst of exciting business” – H. Mather**

# **GREAT COMMISSION BUDGETING**

**Giving will Increase when Members:**

- **UNDERSTAND** how their gift “makes disciples of all nations”
- **LEARN** to be faithful stewards and generous givers
- **TRUST** the budgeting process and leadership team

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**PROCEEDING**

# HOW TO PROCEED:

## Overview

1. Prepare Leadership
2. Prepare the Budget Planning Group
3. Plan Spiritual Enrichment Emphases
4. Review Budgeting Procedures



# HOW TO PROCEED: Prepare Leadership

- **Pray** about the possibility
- **Discuss options** with Key financial leaders
- **Invite leaders to seek God's will** on how to respond to the Great Commission Concept

# **PREPARE LEADERSHIP:**

## **Advantages of Focus**

**Generosity increases when tied  
to Biblical precepts**

**“A key to giving success is people knowing  
that the church has a mission, a vision of  
what God wants that church to do in ministry”  
– D. Joiner**

# **PREPARE LEADERSHIP: Evaluating Budget Items**

- **How can we respond to the Lord's Commission?**
- **Does this ministry help us respond?**
- **Is this ministry vital to our response?**
- **How can our church best do this ministry?**
- **Invite open and honest conversation**

# **PREPARE BUDGET PLANNING GROUP:**

- **Pray for the church, the task, patience and wisdom**
- **Provide the necessary resources/tools for task**
- **Plan ample time in the budgeting process**
- **Encourage and support them**

# **PLAN SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT:**

## **Spiritual Renewal:**

- **Genuinely care about reaching others**
- **Actively witness**
- **Faithfully give**
- **Prayerfully support church ministries**

# **PLAN SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT:**

## **Pastoral Opportunity:**

- **Preaching**
- **Teaching**
- **Training**
- **Informal Conversations**
- **Bible Studies**
- **Dramas**
- **Prayer**
- **Offering Emphases**

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# REVIEW PROCEDURES:

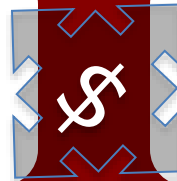
“We want to avoid any criticism of the way we administer this liberal gift. For we are taking pains to do what is right, not only in the eyes of the Lord, but also in the eyes of men” –  
II Cor 8:20-21

# REVIEW PROCEDURES: Accountability & Trust

**Receive**

**Count/Record**

**Deposit**



**Handle**

**Spend**

**Report**



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**PREPARING**

# BUDGET PREPARATION:

- Unified Budget Plan
- Missions, Education, Benevolence, & Personnel
- Traditional or Ministry-Action

# BUDGET PREPARATION:



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# BUDGET PREPARATION: Format

- Disciple
- Baptize
- Teach
- Established Church

# BUDGET PREPARATION: Format

- Jerusalem
- Judea
- Samaria
- Uttermost part of the Earth

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**PRESENTING**

# **BUDGETING PRESENTATION**

- **All ministries should support the Great Commission focus**
- **Opportunity to Teach members**
- **Be positive and prepared for discussion**

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**BUDGET FAIR**



# **BUDGET FAIR: Theme**

- 1. Make disciples . . of all nations**
- 2. Baptize them**
- 3. Teach them**
- 4. To the end of the age**

# **BUDGET FAIR: Theme**

- **Display Booths (Interactive)**
- **Demonstrations**
- **Devotional Area**
- **Food**
- **Devotion & Inspiration**

**Each ministry area should represent the church's  
response to the Great Commission**

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**TIME SCHEDULE**

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**APPENDIX RESOURCES**

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**QUESTIONS**

# RESOURCES

- [www.stewardshipdirect.com](http://www.stewardshipdirect.com)  
Stewardship Development  
Association  
“equipping churches to address  
Biblical stewardship”



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- [www.stewardshipdirect.com](http://www.stewardshipdirect.com)
- [www.cpmissions.net](http://www.cpmissions.net)

Southern Baptist: Cooperative  
Program Missions Resources



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- [www.actstone8.com](http://www.actstone8.com)

Resources on becoming a  
worldwide mission center





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