

May 25, 2023

Dear Church Family,

As we head into the summer season, I want to share a financial update. Through April, our income is 8% below target, and our expenses are 6% below target, resulting in a deficit of \$42,000. While we always want to be on the positive side financially, we are confident this deficit can be overcome as we continue through the year. Please prayerfully consider how you can help to fund our core ministries through the General Fund.

I also want to remind you of the additional ministry we are providing through the 2022 budget surplus. \$89K has been invested in our Chinese church plant, East Asia missions, earthquake relief, Detroit church planting, and FBC mission trips. An additional \$89K has been deployed through local outreach and ministry partnerships. \$500K in capital improvements – primarily roofing and HVAC projects – are in progress now. Finally, we will make improvements to our sound system in the coming months.

I am so thankful for the Lord's provision and for your faithfulness in financial giving. As we head into vacation season, let's celebrate all the Lord is doing through our mission trips, camps, VBS, and other ministries this summer.

If you have any questions about contributions, please contact Gloria Duncan at 803-343-8582 or Rhonda Jackson at 803-343-8563.

God Bless,

Buster Whitlock

Minister of Administration