

Stewards of Resources



Key Responsibilities

Stewards of Resources are called to discern God's leading as to how the Branch uses its resources, financial and otherwise, to achieve its vision and values.

- Discern God's leading in forming a yearly budget.
 - In the late summer of each year, develop a draft budget.
 - In late fall develop concrete ways for the Branch to have a voice in shaping the budget.
 - Present a final budget to the Branch in early December.
- Discern God's leading in maintaining a budget throughout the year.
 - Make adjustments in spending that reflect the Branch's offerings & gifts.
 - Approve major expenses.
 - Work with *Stewards of Care* to determine how to respond to people at the Branch who have a financial need.
- Create and develop systems needed for efficient day-to-day functioning of the Branch:
 - Tracking and paying expenses
 - Managing payroll and other benefits offered to employees
 - Tracking contributions from Branch member

Other Responsibilities

- Assist and support pastors with Branch work as needed, in areas such as worship prayer partners, accountability, administrative tasks, Partner meetings.
- With the *Stewards of Care*, approve any changes made to staff (including but not limited to: compensation, discipline, new hires, removal)
- With the *Stewards of Care*, help to support, encourage, and hold accountable the staff of the Branch.
- With the *Stewards of Care* give final approval of the budget presented to the Branch for their vote.

Character and Competency

Stewards are disciples who reflect Jesus in how they live (character) and in what they do (competency). As leaders of the Branch they commit to living out the Branch's values:

- **Wholistic Worship:** Stewards have surrendered their lives — each part — in worship. They submit to Jesus as their Lord and King in tangible ways.
- **Authentic Community:** Stewards see their lives as gifts to be given away. They willingly invest what they have and who they are in the lives of others.
- **Family on Mission:** Stewards are people who believe that they are 'sent'. But they are not sent alone. They lock arms with others in order to be on mission together.
- **Simplicity:** Stewards regularly seek the Spirit's wisdom in their lives, asking God to help them spend their time and talent on the things that matter most.

Stewards will also show:

- Evidence in their life of the ability to listen to and discern the leading of the Holy Spirit.
- Evidence in their life of the ability to trust in God's provision -- materially and otherwise.
- Evidence in their life of generosity with financial resources.
- Ability to maintain confidentiality.