

1. Purpose. Since God has blessed and as He continues to bless our congregation with excess funds, we desire to spend them in a timely and effective manner to further the work of the gospel in our local community and around the world.
2. Parameters.
  - a. The amount given should be large enough to be significant toward the completion of any project chosen.
  - b. There will be no restrictions on whether a project is local or global in its scope.
3. Philosophy
  - a. Any project chosen will line up with the philosophy of ministry and doctrinal position of First Baptist Church. It must contribute to the clear promotion of the gospel.
  - b. Every effort will be made to ensure that the project will not hurt the ministry or community associated with that project.
  - c. There must be a clear and stated need for a project to be viable.
  - d. Every effort will be made to ensure that a project is a natural fit with our congregation.
4. Process
  - a. The Excess Funds subcommittee, when needed as determined by the leadership, will do all the footwork of tracking down leads, fully vetting options, and drafting detailed paperwork on projects recommended.
  - b. The Leadership (elders and deacons) will evaluate and pray about each project and determine whether or not to recommend it to the congregation.
  - c. The congregation will, by a majority vote, determine whether or not to fund each project brought by the leadership.
5. The Role of the Leadership
  - a. Appoints all subcommittee members when needed.
  - b. Deliberately and prayerfully leads this process especially if there are any major local opportunities that could be an extension of FBC's ministry to the community.
  - c. Explains to the congregation the rationale for determining how much excess funds are available and the process for determining how to use those funds.