

Where Does My Church Start?

Determine what type of budgeting you are currently doing:

1. Church treasurer handles all money. No formalized budget or reports.
2. Line Item Budget—Multiple budgets in a listing format. Reports are prepared.
3. Ministry Action Budget -This type of budgeting starts with the vision and mission of the church. Listed topically by ministries.

If your church is currently not doing a budget or a line item budget, consider starting or moving to the Ministry Action Budget.

If needed, develop a Church Mission Statement.

Create a Stewardship Ministry Team which will be composed of three sections:

1. Stewardship Education & Promotion
2. Church Ministry Budget Development
3. Estate Stewardship



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What does *Effective Financial Stewardship*

**look like in
your congregation?**

*“If we can visualize it,
We can do it!”*

Effective financial stewardship will incorporate the following:

Mission and Vision Statements to reflect stewardship

Regular references in sermons and illustrations

Use of stewardship articles in newsletters

Stewardship Education

- ◆ Emphasis on 3 levels of giving:
 - ◆ Should give
 - ◆ Could give
 - ◆ Would give
- ◆ Ongoing financial discipleship studies:
 - ◆ Crown's Treasure Principle, and Discovering God's Way of Handling Money
 - ◆ How Much Is Enough
 - ◆ Stewardship God's Way
 - ◆ Sunday School/Small Group Study



Celebrate Our Giving Through

- ◆ Testimonies
- ◆ Ministry Reports
- ◆ Mission Trips
- ◆ Receiving of Tithes & Offerings

Personal Money Management

- ◆ One Day Seminars
- ◆ Weekend Seminars
- ◆ Crown Small Group
- ◆ Good Sense
- ◆ Community Outreach Events

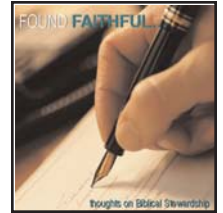
Quarterly Celebration Statements

- ◆ Record of individual's giving.
- ◆ Include a tract or other means of encouragement.

Annual Budget Accountability Reviews (Audit)

Worship

- ◆ Dramas
- ◆ Music
- ◆ Prayers of Thanksgiving
- ◆ Bulletin Covers/Inserts (Tracts, etc.)



Blessing Board

- ◆ A bulletin board where people can post blessings they have received.

Website Links

- ◆ www.scbaptist.org/giving
- ◆ www.crown.org
- ◆ www.generousgiving.org

Taught to and Experienced by

- ◆ Children
- ◆ Youth learning all aspects of finances to include balancing checkbooks, budgeting, giving, investments.

Courses for:

- ◆ Single Parents
- ◆ Engaged Couples
- ◆ Wealth Building/Investments