

Stewards Commission Report

Stewards Commission:

Joel Price, chair
Eddie Hernandez, vice-chair
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Ex-officio members: District Executive Minister,
Moderator, Board Chair, Treasurer

The Stewards Commission continues to provide support to the PSWD by working to provide different kinds of support to its churches. We dispersed \$40,000 in partnership funds for Missions projects. With all of our churches having to adjust their worship due to COVID-19 shutdowns we also felt the need to offer support. We have dispersed \$35,000 in COVID-19 support funds. We have deferred loan payments with four of our five church loans and have offered interest free loans to our churches.

With July coming to a close the district is managing over nine million dollars. With the COVID-19 shut downs we have had increases in certain areas of our budget, such as Congregational Development Ministry with our Covid relief funds. Because we are unable to have functions there are other areas we have less expenses than budgeted, so we believe we will end 2020 on, or a little under budget. If you look at 2019 our budget was \$446,927 and our actual ended up \$491,000. This was due to the funds made available for first time people to go to Annual Conference and the extra expense of holding District Conference at the Franciscan Renewal Center in Arizona.

The Stewards Commission is a branch of the Policy Board, our discussions are brought through input from District Staff and other committees to the Executive Board for final approval. Our C.P.A. is performing an audit review to check our accounting practices.

We are working with Florecita and José Merlos to

start a Spanish speaking ministry in Waterford. They have been working to meet people in the community and spread the love of Christ and have started worship when allowed due to the shut downs related to COVID-19. A building has been purchased in Los Banos and construction has begun in preparation for a place for the Centro Agape en Acción Church to gather in Worship. We are very excited for the completion of their sanctuary and look forward to their work and fellowship in the PSWD.

We appreciate the time, efforts, and dedication of all of those who work with the Stewards Commission to do the work of the District: Ralph Carlton and Darrell Stark who keep track of our expenditures, Nelda Clark who does so much as our board chair, and, Larry Woodruff as he served as the Treasurer for the district for 18 years.

I would like to thank our District Executive Russ Matteson for all the work he does for our District. He truly does an excellent job of overseeing the daily, monthly, and yearly needs of the PSWD. His job is one that calls for expertise in so many areas, more every year it seems, as we added pandemic to his list this year. He graciously leads the PSWD, working with the leadership in our District to keep the PSWD moving forward in Jesus name. Thank You Russ.

The work of the Policy Board in the PSWD is truly important to maintain the health, well being, and life of our Churches. I Pray that in a time when separation seems to be more prevalent that we can focus on serving Jesus Christ and maintain the Faith that nothing can be accomplished if not through Him!

Serving Jesus,

Joel Price

Stewards Commission Chair