

Welcome

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REMOTE & LIVE SERVICES

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Saturday Services

3:00 pm New Member Orientation

3:00 pm Discipleship Training

4:00 pm Saturday Bible Study

Sunday Services

8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am New Member Orientation

9:30 am Discipleship Training

9:30 am Sunday Bible Study

10:45 am Worship Service

STEWARDSHIP

1. Operating Budget

Our Operating Budget is funded through Tithes & Offerings.
Mt. Zion Financial Statements are available upon request.

(Week 36)	YTD Goals	YTD Actuals	Variance
Revenue	\$1,423,168	\$1,390,071	\$<33,097>
Expense	<u>\$1,348,220</u>	<u>\$1,287,275</u>	<u>\$ 60,945</u>
	\$ 74,948	\$ 102,796	\$ 27,848

2. Loan Payoff

Original Loan Balance	Balance Due as of 9/9/2020
\$2,400,000.00	\$116,832.85

*Capital Campaign Fund Monies cannot be used for Operating Cost.

3. Capital Campaign Pledge Drive (6-yr pledge)

Pledge Amount	Pledged-To-Date	Given-To-Date
\$600,000	\$654,764	\$439,470

ONLINE GIVING

Shelby Online Giving

<https://www.shelbygiving.com/mzo>

Shelby Text Giving

909-219-9637

(Ex: \$100 tithes)

 Use: giving@mtzionontario.com

If you have any questions or need assistance, please call the Church Administrator at 909-983-2411 ext. 108.

***Please read Church Accounting Policy on page 3.**

PRAYER

The following families have recently lost a loved one. Please keep them in prayer during their time of bereavement:



Family of Wilma Lewis
D'on Hall & Carter Family (father)
Clarence Johnson (brother)
Sadie Williams & Family (step-mother)
Sophie Dudley & Family (son)



Please continue to pray for Mt. Zion, its leaders, members and our community.

If you have a family member who is hospitalized or have lost a loved one, please call the church office or email info@mtzionontario.com. Your requests will be given to the Monday Night Prayer Team.

To: All Mt. Zion Members
From: The Elder's and Mt. Zion Trustees
Date: 8/27/2020
Re: Addition of Mt. Zion's Constitution and Bylaws.

Purpose: To formalize the handling of all funds especially capital campaign funds.

Location: Articles VII, Section A, point 3.

Name of New Addition: Church Accounting Policy (Firewall for Capital Campaign included).

Dates for discussion of addition: 9/2; 9/9/ and 9/13 (day of vote).

Meetings on 9/2 and 9/9:

Time: 6:00 pm.

Location: Zoom and call in.

The Zoom information is: <https://zoom.us/j/99051432380?pwd=QmdCalFGdUNyaU14bXg2cWF1czBBZz09>

Meeting ID: 990 5143 2380; Passcode: 875914; Dial in (669) 900 6833

Meeting on 9/13:

Time: 9:10 am (right after the 8:00 am outdoor service). **Note time change**

Location: Same as above and at outdoor service

Existing Language: No existing language

New Language:

Church Accounting Policy
(Firewall for Capital Campaign Funds included)

Mt. Zion is committed to handling all funds in a manner pleasing to God, and consistent with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).

All finances of Mt. Zion Church of Ontario, including capital campaign funds, shall be handled according to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).

The Mt. Zion Trustees provide the oversight of the collection, processing, and management of all funds collected at Mt. Zion (including capital campaign funds).

As Mt. Zion pursues kingdom growth activities, the following policy is set forth for handling restricted funds given for capital campaigns.

All funds given to capital campaigns shall be recorded as restricted funds. According to the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB), restricted funds must be used for the purpose in which they were raised, and must be reported in the financial statements as restricted funds in distinction from unrestricted funds. Restricted funds are distinct from designated funds in that designated funds come from the general fund, and can be returned to the general fund and used for a different purpose.

Restricted funds can only be used for the purpose in which they were raised. Restricted funds given for the capital campaign cannot be used for any other purpose without the consent of a majority vote of the members of Mt. Zion Church of Ontario.

Coping with COVID, Part XXIII Balance in the Church Ecosystem

I Cor. 12:27-13:13

Pastor Brian Kennedy, Sr.

TEXT QUESTIONS TO PASTOR AS HE IS PREACHING TO: (909) 295-8569

Definition of a Balanced church ecosystem: The harmonious interconnectivity among church members exercising their spiritual gifts at home, in the church, in society, and in the environment for God's glory. This organic balance is maintained by keeping human pesticides and human modifications out of the church.

Take it Home Point: God established the order for a balanced ecosystem in church life.

A. In Church, Members Operate with Divine Order (vs. 27-31).

1. God's repetitive reminder that church is not about one member prepares the environment for divine order (v. 27; cf. vs. 14, 17, 20).

Note: Equipped with various gifts, all church members are intricately connected to each other. This is a picture of harmonious interconnectivity with no Big "I's" and Little "u's."

2. God set the "priority of use" for spiritual gifts in the church (v. 28).
 - a. Apostleship is a high priority ministry in the church (v. 28).
 - b. Prophecy is a high priority ministry in the church (v. 28).
 - c. Teaching is a high priority ministry in the church (v. 28).
 - d. Miracles are a priority ministry in the church (v. 28).
 - e. Healing is a priority ministry in the church (v. 28).
 - f. Helps are a priority ministry in the church (v. 28).
 - g. Administrations are a priority ministry in the church (v. 28).
 - h. Tongues is listed last and is a ministry in the church (v. 28).
3. No member of the church possesses all the spiritual gifts (vs. 29-30).
4. Members pushing for the operation of priority spiritual gifts in church is good. Yet, God says there is a more excellent push in the church ecosystem (v. 31).

Note: Since God teaches us to value "low profile" and "out front" ministry (I Cor. 12:14-20), our intricate interconnectivity to each other supports the operation of spiritual gifts according to God's divine order. God pushes the church to prioritize using the spiritual gifts that spread His Word in the church and around the world. We need God's Word and the spiritual gifts that help spread God's Word. We also need the "excellent way" to maintain this unique balance in the church ecosystem (a foreshadowing of what is to come in chapter 13).

Personal Challenge: Join the church in praying for people with gifts to spread God's Word with uncompromising boldness for the good of the church and society for the glory of God. Pray for people whom God uses for miracles, healings, helps, administration to bring credibility and organization to church operations. Pray for members who speak in tongues to use the strength they receive from their gift to strengthen the church, and not be offended in primary teaching and prophetic preaching ministries. Pray for insights into "the more excellent way."

Personal Prayer: Lord, I need You, so I don't get lost in myself. Please remove selfishness from my spirit and protect me from self-promoting displays of my spiritual gifts. Lord, You created me in Christ Jesus, for good works. I want to use my spiritual gifts for good in connection with other believers to maintain balance versus imbalance in the church ecosystem. I live to love and serve You. In the name of Jesus, I pray, amen.