

Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Baptist Church
Trustee Board Quarterly Report
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As we reflect on the month's progress and look ahead to our shared goals, I want to take a moment to express my deep appreciation to our financial team, Deacon Bobbi Sims and Jonikka Lawrence. Their diligence in maintaining excellent financial records continues to be a cornerstone of our church's stewardship. Their commitment to transparency and accountability ensures we remain on a path of fiscal responsibility and faith-driven financial management.

I am pleased to announce that our financial team will present the annual budget for all ministries on February 23rd. This presentation will serve as a roadmap for our spiritual journey in the coming year, guiding our ministry efforts and community outreach with careful consideration and prayerful planning.

In the spirit of collective responsibility and generosity, I urge all trustees to complete and submit our stewardship form. Reflect upon the blessings in your life and consider a dollar amount within your budget that you can consistently contribute. Our combined efforts and contributions are what empower our church to thrive and grow.

I am excited to report substantial progress on our rental properties. The new floors are complete, the interior has been freshly painted, and we are in the final stages of installing the new stove hood, pending the completion of electrical connections. These improvements will greatly enhance our church's facilities and the experience of our congregation and visitors alike.

On the staffing front, the new custodian job description was posted on February 19th in both the church newsletter and the Seattle Medium. We are committed to filling this position by April 30th. I invite members of our church community to spread the word to potential candidates who may be called to serve.

Our Inventory Project, initiated on February 10th, aims to catalog all equipment, furniture, supplies, and appliances. Despite our best efforts, we are behind schedule and will not meet the initial March 30th completion date. I plan to consult with each trustee to assess our progress and establish a new timeline.

Additionally, we are actively contributing to the Church Strategic Plan spearheaded by Pastor Smith. The trustees are working closely with various committees to identify necessary resources and actions to achieve their goals. This collaborative effort is integral to ensuring that every aspect of our church's mission is supported and successful.

In unity and service, let us hold close the words of 1 Corinthians 12:14, "For the body is not one member, but many." It is through our collective efforts and diverse gifts that we can accomplish the work set before us in the name of the Lord.

Gwen Dupree

President, Trustee Board

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