



Greetings church!

It is that time of the year for the annual business meeting for MDC. I confess that the cadence between these meetings feels like they are happening more quickly. One of the things I have learned is that the older we get, this experience of time compression is a function of neurology, and psychology, and is normal.

MDC has a congregational form of government. It is an important expression of what the body life of the church is all about. The church leaders are committed to communicating openly, honestly, and transparently about everything that the church does. The annual budget is a part of the communication process. There are three categories of what believers can do to express their love for God; giving of their time, their talents, and their treasure. The budget is what the board uses to steward the finances that have been given to the church. God uses this process to help us unite as a body committed to the mission that God has given to us: reach Discovery Bay for Jesus Christ; to bless and be blessed in that process. We are grateful that we get to participate in the process of people getting into a relationship with Jesus Christ, and for others enriching their relationship.

We will also broadcast the meeting live on Zoom this year. We will use the same link as the Sunday morning service. It will be recorded and posted on the church website. That posting may take a week in order to get the video edited. If you need the link, please let the church know and we will send it to you.

We appreciate your participation in this process!

We have been going back and forth with the county for approval on the next step: rough grading. There have been changing conditions of approval throughout this entire process. Though we have been stalled, we are still moving forward. Rodney will explain more about this during the meeting.

Going forward, we covet your prayers as we make decisions and commitments in order to accomplish what God has laid out before us!

Blessings and favor,

*Pastor Larry*

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