

Resolution 1 – Jurisdiction Contributions to Worldwide Mission Tithes

Submitted by the Mission Center Officers in consultation with the Mission Center Council

Whereas, Doctrine and Covenants 165:2c states, “A basic discipleship principle is growing Christ’s mission through local and world mission tithes according to true capacity;”

Whereas, Doctrine and Covenants 165:2e states, “Stewardship as response to the ministry of Christ is more than individual giving. It includes the generosity of congregations and jurisdictions that give to worldwide ministries of the church to strengthen community in Christ in all nations;”

Whereas, Doctrine and Covenants 165:2f states, “Sharing for the common good is the spirit of Zion;” and

Whereas, The Michigan Mission Center operating budget for 2018 ended with a net income of \$8979.70; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Michigan Mission Center contribute \$9000 from the Operating Reserve Fund to worldwide mission tithes;

Resolved, That any net income from the 2019 Michigan Mission Center operating budget be contributed to worldwide mission tithes; and

Resolved, That congregations in the Michigan Mission Center be encouraged to contribute any undesignated net income from 2019 operating budgets to worldwide mission tithes.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

As of September 30, 2019 the Michigan Mission Center Operating Reserve Fund had a balance of \$98,741.72. In 2017 congregations in the Michigan Mission Center recorded a total of \$1,450,946 for congregation ministries and \$845,138 for worldwide mission tithes. In 2018 congregations in the Michigan Mission Center recorded a total of \$1,395,810 for congregation ministries and \$757,066 for worldwide mission tithes.

Funds given to Worldwide Mission Tithes that exceed the 2019 budget will automatically be applied to Bridge of Hope Tithes. The following amounts have been contributed to Bridge of Hope Tithes from the Michigan Mission Center and congregations within the mission center:

\$36,192.95 - Net Proceeds from Michigan Mission Center 2017 Conference Actions

\$41,000.00 - Congregation Contributions Reported in 2017 & 2018

\$51,057.32 - Net Proceeds from Congregation Property Sales since 7/1/2018

\$21,689.00 - Congregation Contributions to Bridge of Hope Tithes since 5/1/2019

Since the 2019 World Conference the Northeast USA Field’s share of the goal is contributing \$7 Million to Bridge of Hope Tithes by 1/1/24. Congregation Financial Officers should use Shelby code 947 Bridge of Hope Community Gifts for special offerings or congregation contributions.