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# CREATING SYSTEMS FOR NATIONAL CHURCH CONFERENCES, MISSION ORGANISATION AND NETWORKS TO RECEIVE AND DISTRIBUTE FUNDS TO SUPPORT MISSIONARIES AND MISSION WORK ACROSS BORDERS WHILE MAINTAINING ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY

Ecclesiastes 10:19 *“A feast is made for laughter, wine makes life merry, and money is the answer for everything.”* NIV

Where there is collection, raising and exchange of funds, multiple stakeholders like government, tax administrations, reserve bank, financial conduct institutions, sponsors / donors and beneficiaries start to have interest in processes, procedures and governance of such to align with statutes / laws.

Mat 25:15-21 – the master expected and demanded servants to account on what they were given,

These then dictate for at least six things to happen:

### **I. System Design and Planning**

1. Define objectives: Clearly outline the vision, mission (purpose), goals, and scope of the mission about the funding system.
2. Establish governance: Form a governing board or committee to oversee the funding system.
3. Develop policies: Create policies for fund management, distribution, and reporting.
4. Design a secure electronic platform: Utilize a secure platform for fund management, tracking, and reporting with proper audit trail.

### **II. Fund Management and Distribution**

1. Create a centralized fund management system: Establish a single, centralized system for managing funds.
2. Designate fund administrators: Appoint administrators to manage and distribute funds.
3. Develop a fund distribution plan: Establish a plan for distributing funds to missionaries and mission projects.
4. Implement a system for tracking and reporting: Utilize a system for tracking fund distribution and reporting on fund usage.

### **III. Accountability and Transparency**

1. Establish financial reporting requirements: Require regular financial reports from fund recipients.
2. Conduct regular audits: Perform regular audits to ensure financial integrity.
3. Implement a whistle-blower policy: Establish a policy for reporting financial irregularities.
4. Maintain transparency: Ensure that financial information is accessible and transparent.

### **IV. Compliance and Risk Management**

1. Comply with laws and regulations: Ensure compliance with relevant laws, regulations, and tax requirements.
2. Assess and mitigate risks: Identify and mitigate potential risks associated with fund management and distribution.

3. Develop a risk management plan: Establish a plan for managing risks and addressing potential issues.
4. Maintain adequate insurance coverage: Ensure adequate insurance coverage for fund management and distribution activities.

### **V. Training and Capacity Building**

1. Provide training for fund administrators: Offer training for fund administrators on financial management, reporting, and compliance.
2. Develop capacity-building programs: Establish programs to build the capacity of missionaries and mission organizations in financial management and reporting.
3. Conduct regular workshops and seminars: Host regular workshops and seminars on financial management, reporting, and compliance.

### **VI. Monitoring and Evaluation**

1. Establish a monitoring and evaluation framework: Develop a framework for monitoring and evaluating the effectiveness of the funding system.
2. Conduct regular monitoring and evaluation: Regularly monitor and evaluate the funding system to identify areas for improvement.
3. Make adjustments and improvements: Make adjustments and improvements to the funding system based on monitoring and evaluation findings.

### **BASICS FOUNDATIONAL ITEMS:**

- Establish your Biblical basis of your missionary element and support
- Overcome your giants when thinking and considering missions work
- Earnestly pray as you plan on budget and those you are identifying as potential supporters (individuals & entities) as you rank them on perceived possibility to give.
- Identify people who believe in your course and create a personal engagement to ask for support (those with love accompanied by giving: Wonderful Giving Church - 2 Cor 8:1 - 2 Generosity (Philippians 1; 4: 10 - )).
- Let those be a team who can help to fund or raise funds on your behalf
- Be willing and ready to account back and regular communication of updates and feedback.
- Consider the possibility of also be tent-makers (Skills - Capability to support your mission).
- Verify the old saying on those to embark on missions: Repentance - Holy Spirit Conviction - Burden for the lost (WHY) - "set themselves alight"
- Money does not come from the wealthy – The widow story
- Mission is not only going across the border as such is coming to where we are
- Neighbouring countries should be encouraged - e.g. South Africa, Mozambique, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Namibia, Angola, can ensure that they hear more about each other so that their needs can be known and be met.
- Need to create heart of mission - sustainability

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