

CONCLUSION

FINAL TAKEAWAYS

1. Financially, we had a successful conclusion to 2017 due to the cost cutting actions taken by the Staff and to the Congregation's answer to the call for help to meet the shortfall
2. Current projections show that we will be short on ability to fund the 2018 operating budget if trends continue.
3. Without a change, funding to certain areas of the Church may be impacted – Missions being one of those areas.
4. Congregation members can help in the following ways:
 1. Current pledgers should consider increasing their pledges
 2. Gifters (non-pledgers) should consider making a committed pledge
 3. Non-givers should consider making that first pledge
 4. Consider a weekly or monthly Estimate of Giving

POTENTIAL OUTCOMES FROM A SURPLUS OF FUNDS

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1. **Missions:** Provide additional funding to further enhance their new initiatives, provide additional aid to What's Next?, or provide additional health care assistance to those in need in Haiti
 2. **Apportionments:** Fully fund our allotted amount of Apportionments
 3. **Operational Reserves:** Designate additional funds to reserves for future plant upgrades or to help fund the anticipated need to replace the HVAC system within the next few years