

Ordinary Life Finance Committee Guidelines for Giving

Est: 2/28/2015

On average, Ordinary Life collects \$25,000 annually. The numbers below are calculated using that amount as a starting point.

1. The focus of our giving will be on Missions of St. Paul's' Church; Houston Charitable Organizations (501c3's) working to empower the poor and underserved; and National or International organizations working for Social Justice. The break down is as follows:
 - 50% of our funds to Church missions serving the poor and underserved as SPUMC sees fit, including, but not limited to, Rutabaga and The Bolivia Mission
 - 10% or \$2500 to Bill Kerley to use as needed (reimbursements, supplies, honorariums for guest speakers, etc.)
 - 30% to Houston Charitable organizations doing work to empower the poor and underserved. These will hopefully be tied to the Community Action Group's service projects.
 - 10% to an annual local, national, or international Social Justice Project/Initiative brought to us by member(s) of the class.
 - All contributions will be made at year's end in order to evenly divide funds between the selected organizations.
2. To meet our obligation of stewardship for the class's gifts we will provide information to other members of the class about the organizations to whom we donate on a quarterly basis.
3. To express our appreciation to St. Paul's for our teacher and Sunday school class we will allot \$2500 per year to Bill Kerley for any out of pocket or otherwise deemed necessary expense. This money will be reimbursed as needed.
4. In honor of Ordinary Life's and St. Paul's charitable traditions we will contribute 50% of our funds to church missions to disburse as the church deems necessary.
5. In support of the goals of the Kerley Foundation we will discontinue the gift for now as we have exceeded our pledge, but revisit the gift if funds are needed in the future.
6. To extend the impact of our gifts we will participate in service and teach our fellow class members about the annual social justice project.

7. To find further avenues beyond of the recipients of our past gifts we will evaluate past recipients of OL funds and research potential new ones.
8. To foster the charity of our already generous class members we will be as transparent as possible about the impact of their gifts by creating a poster about where money goes, distribute a quarterly report, and work with the Community Action group to educate our class members about opportunities to get involved.
9. In recognition that giving is not only comprised of money we will work with other groups to serve the community, collect information about where class members might already be involved, and educate our class about Social Justice.