Member Proposal

Statement

ETT is a ministry that was started in 2020. It was a ministry approved by the Met Board during COVID, anticipating to financially support ETT for up to five years.

Last year, The Met members approved a budget of \$5.5m, however donations were lower than projected. The Met ministries took a 15% cut to end the year with a small surplus. Through the year, The Met received \$120,000 in designated donations and special offerings for ETT. However, ETT expenses for the year were approximately \$401,000. The Met covered this shortfall of \$281,000, a 3% cut from the budgeted amount of \$290,000 for ETT. This is about 30% of the Met's total Missions spending which reduces the funds available to train and send missionaries and support locals in gospel centered discipleship work (this is the goal of Met Missions).

I have communicated with the Met Board, and they have expressed their desire to support the ETT ministry and have entered into a partnership agreement through its first two fiscal years of financial independence (July 2027) and taper support in the years ahead. In January 2025, ETT was established as an independent charity in Canada and as of July 31 will take responsibility for raising its own support.

While enriching biblical teaching, ETT's North America wide broadcast ministry does not align with the Met's mission(Engage, Establish, and Equip). ETT will likely make its own plans based on local listener support in each region. It is, however, appropriate for the Met to support the regional broadcast over our local Christian radio station and the full production cost for the ETT radio program broadcast. This amounts to a maximum of \$150,000 in support, or approximately 15% of The Met's mission budget. This would be in-line with Met mission's outreach of engaging and discipling people in the gospel.

Proposal

In view of the above, the following member resolutions are proposed:

(1) It is RESOLVED for the fiscal 2025/2026, that The Met ministry corporation commits to fund the cost of ETT being broadcast locally on CHRI, to a maximum of \$150,000. The support would be exclusively for broadcast program production costs and airtime costs to broadcast on CHRI. The membership tasks the Board to further taper support for subsequent years.

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