

Executive Summary

The eight-member Mission Funding Task Force (MFTF) met approximately every third Saturday from May 2001 through January 2002 with a goal of researching Diocesan funding methods and recommending a new system of funding the Diocese of Lexington to the Executive Council. Task Force research included:

1. examining scriptural, theological, and conceptual perceptions of stewardship, justice, and equity,
2. investigating the implications of equity and fairness for Diocesan funding
3. conducting a survey of the funding processes of eighteen dioceses and obtaining the results of a survey conducted by the Indianapolis Diocese,
4. comparing Diocese of Lexington funding with that of the other 99 U. S. Episcopal dioceses, and
5. making recommendations to the Executive Council for a new system for funding the Diocese of Lexington.