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Dear Paul:

Thank you for reaching out to us regarding your upcoming survey. Mecklenburg Community Church (Meck) does not typically participate in such endeavors, particularly when it involves revealing what we consider to be personal information related to the lives and families of our staff. We are, however, happy to inform you that we have a very strong record of transparency regarding financial matters and governance processes.

For example, the salary of our senior pastor is set by trustees who are members of the church and who are set aside through congregational vote for that purpose on an annual basis. Beyond being voted upon by the membership, and being members themselves, they cannot be related to anyone currently on staff.

Our annual budget is established through a large team of staff and ministry leaders, then presented to the church membership for affirmation through an annual congregational vote. This includes salaries and benefits.

And finally, we conduct a full, outside, independent audit on an annual basis, the results of which are made known to the trustees and all interested members. For all of its twenty-five years, Meck has passed this audit with the highest commendations.

So as you can see, while we may not commonly participate in surveys such as yours, we have full financial transparency to our church members. Further, we are happy to enclose a copy of our most recent bylaws, which is given to every member as part of the membership process.

Thank you for your time and interest.

Sincerely,



Chuck Peacock  
Director of Finance