| The Church Treasurer Sample Checklist |     |  |           |     |  |
|---------------------------------------|-----|--|-----------|-----|--|
| January                               | 1   | Rent/Mortgage                            | July      | 1   | Rent/Mortgage                                |
|                                       | 5   | Bank Reconciliation & Reports            |           | 5   | Bank Reconciliation & Reports                |
|                                       | 5   | CRA Remittance, due 15th.                |           | 5   | CRA Remittance, due 15th.                    |
|                                       | 10  | Annual Audit preparation                 |           | 15  | Payroll                                      |
|                                       | 15  | Payroll                                  |           | 15  | Fellowship tithes/Missions giving            |
|                                       | 15  | Fellowship tithes/Missions giving        |           | EOM | Payroll                                      |
|                                       | EOM | Payroll                                  | August    | 1   | Rent/Mortgage                                |
| February                              | 1   | Rent/Mortgage                            |           | 5   | Bank Reconciliation & Reports                |
|                                       | 5   | Bank Reconciliation & Reports            |           | 5   | CRA Remittance, due 15th.                    |
|                                       | 5   | CRA Remittance, due 15th.                |           | 15  | Payroll                                      |
|                                       | 15  | Payroll                                  |           | 15  | Fellowship tithes/Missions giving            |
|                                       | 15  | AGM Preparation                          |           | EOM | Payroll                                      |
|                                       | 15  | Fellowship tithes/Missions giving        | September | 1   | Rent/Mortgage                                |
|                                       | EOM | Donation Receipts delivered              |           | 5   | Bank Reconciliation & Reports                |
|                                       | EOM | T4's, T4A's delivered and filed with CRA |           | 5   | CRA Remittance, due 15th.                    |
|                                       | EOM | Payroll                                  |           | 15  | Payroll                                      |
| March                                 | 1   | Rent/Mortgage                            |           | 15  | Fellowship tithes/Missions giving            |
|                                       | 5   | Bank Reconciliation & Reports            |           | 15  | Pastors file for CRA Letter of Authorization |
|                                       | 5   | CRA Remittance, due 15th.                |           | EOM | Payroll                                      |
|                                       | 15  | Payroll                                  | October   | 1   | Rent/Mortgage                                |
|                                       | 15  | Fellowship tithes/Missions giving        |           | 5   | Bank Reconciliation & Reports                |
|                                       | EOM | Corporation filing (Federal/Provincial)  |           | 5   | CRA Remittance, due 15th.                    |
|                                       | EOM | Payroll                                  |           | 15  | Payroll                                      |
| April                                 | 1   | Rent/Mortgage                            |           | 15  | Fellowship tithes/Missions giving            |
|                                       | 5   | Bank Reconciliation & Reports            |           | 15  | Start Budget preparation                     |
|                                       | 5   | CRA Remittance, due 15th.                |           |     | Order donation envelopes                     |
|                                       | 15  | Payroll                                  |           | EOM | Payroll                                      |
|                                       |     | Fellowship tithes/Missions giving        | November  | 1   | Rent/Mortgage                                |
|                                       | EOM | Payroll                                  |           | 5   | Bank Reconciliation & Reports                |
| May                                   | 1   | Rent/Mortgage                            |           | 5   | CRA Remittance, due 15th.                    |
|                                       | 5   | Bank Reconciliation & Reports            |           | 15  | Payroll                                      |
|                                       | 5   | CRA Remittance, due 15th.                |           | 15  | Fellowship tithes/Missions giving            |
|                                       | 15  | Payroll                                  |           | EOM | Payroll                                      |
|                                       | 15  | Fellowship tithes/Missions giving        | December  | 1   | Rent/Mortgage                                |
|                                       | EOM | Payroll                                  |           | 5   | Bank Reconciliation & Reports                |
| June                                  | 1   | Rent/Mortgage                            |           | 5   | CRA Remittance, due 15th.                    |
|                                       | 5   | Bank Reconciliation & Reports            |           | 15  | Payroll, include Christmas bonuses           |
|                                       | 5   | CRA Remittance, due 15th.                |           | 15  | Fellowship tithes/Missions giving            |
|                                       | 15  | Payroll                                  |           | 15  | Finalize Budget                              |
|                                       | 15  | Fellowship tithes/Missions giving        |           | 15  | Deliver donation envelopes                   |
|                                       | 15  | T3010 filing due by EOM                  |           | EOM | GST/HST tax rebate filing                    |
|                                       | EOM | GST/HST tax rebate filing                |           | EOM | Payroll                                      |
|                                       | EOM | Payroll                                  |           |     |  |

**NOTE:** Don't forget insurance renewals

- Property & Liability and Director & Officer Liability policies
- Based on policy renewal period

## **ASSUMPTIONS:**

- Fiscal period is same as calendar year
- Twice-monthly pay, paid on the 15th and EOM

## **Church Treasurer - Audit & Policy Suggestions**

## **Audit Control Suggestions**

- There are basically four components to church finances: Income Processing, Expenditure Authorization, Making Payments, and Recording Activity.
- Separation of these functions is fundamental to good audit control.
- As much as possible have different persons in charge of Income processing, Expenditure Authorization, and another person for the Processing & Recording functions.
- Require two signatures for cheques, and have a sign-off (authorization) requirement for online payments.
- The Treasurer's role will centre around the processing and recording functions.

## **Policy Suggestions**

- 1: Donor Restricted Gift Policy Spending of funds is confined to (name of church) approved programs and projects. Each contribution directed toward an approved program or project will be used as restricted with the understanding that when the need for such a program or project has been met, or cannot be completed for any reason as determined by (name of church), the remaining restricted contributions will be redirected to a similarly approved program or project, and where this is not feasible will be used where most needed. (Make this as visible as possible to all donors) (Credit CCCC)
- **2: Teller Team Policy** Teller teams shall consist of at least two unrelated persons of the same sex. If more tellers are required such persons shall not be related to other members of the team. Related persons meaning: spouse, parent, grand-parent, child, sibling, aunt, uncle, or 1<sup>st</sup> cousin.
- **3:** Bank Deposit Policy Upon receipt of Sunday offerings, at least two members of a teller team must count <u>and</u> deposit funds at the bank without delay. The bank deposit key to be returned to the church office.