



## Our Temple's Membership Budget

Most of us have a household budget where we track our income and expenses. When our expenses are greater than our income we have to make adjustments in our budget to get it back into balance. We need to **think about our membership as a budget.**

**How does that work?** Well, our current membership should be thought of as our household budget. Each time we create a new member that goes in the income side of our budget. Each time a member is suspended for nonpayment of dues, requests a demit, or passes away, that goes in the expense side of our budget. To make our budget stay in balance, for each minus to our membership we need to have a plus just to keep our membership in balance.

Just as it is necessary for each member of a household to help balance the household budget, it is necessary for each Lady of the Household to help keep our Temple's membership budget in balance. To be the most effective, we must **evaluate our budget each month** to see if we will end the year with a balanced budget.

If it's not in balance, maybe we will need to find ways to make it balance. Maybe we will need to have another Ceremonial. **How about having a Ceremonial on the weekend** to allow for prospective members who work during the week? We need to make our events convenient to our new members also.

Be sure to check us out each month for an idea to help you keep our Temple's Membership Budget in balance.