

# 2014

# 1ST QUARTER CONGREGATION REPORT



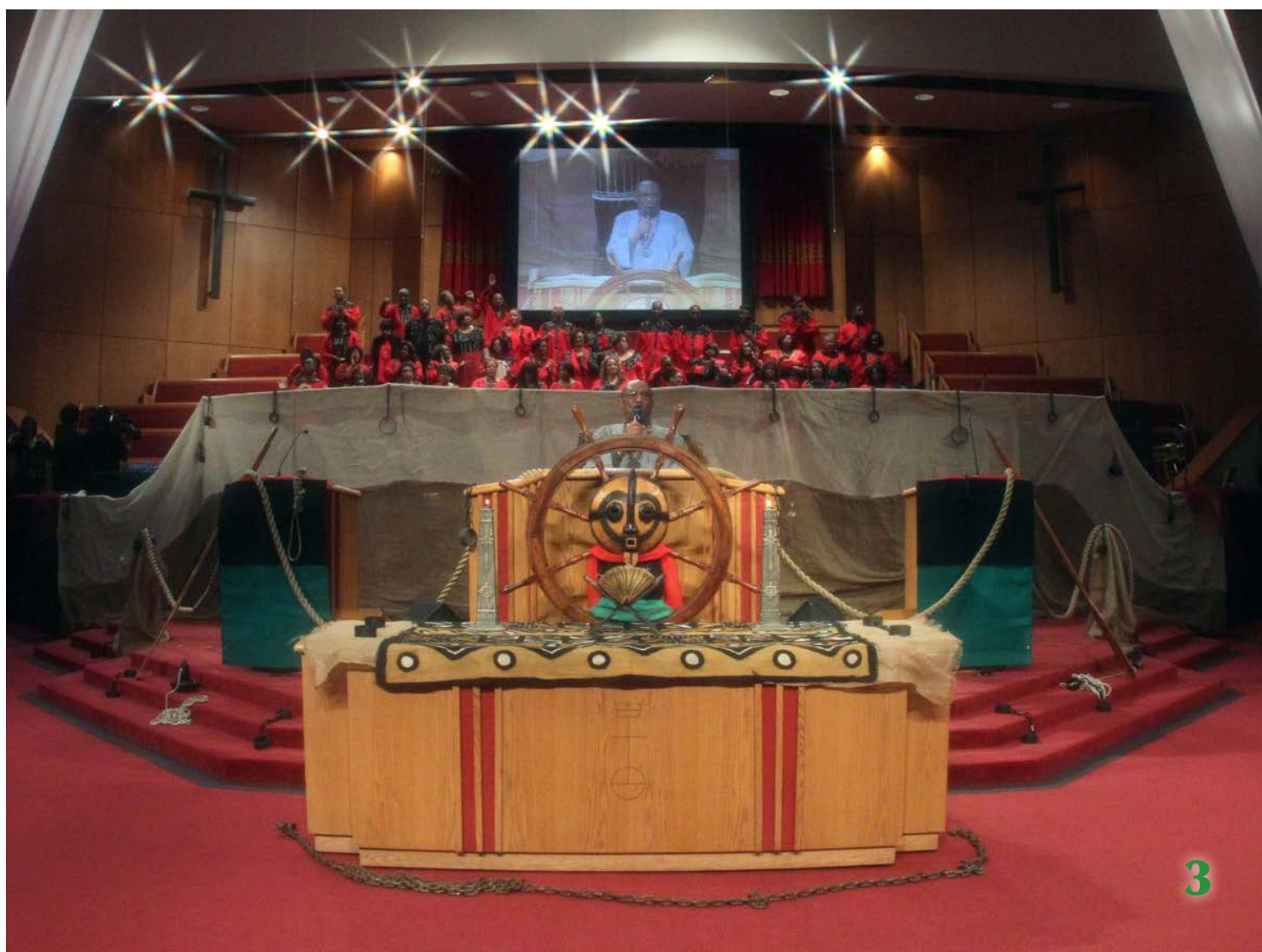
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# Note from the Senior Pastor

Beloved,

As long as I live, I will continue to be amazed at the wonders that God brings forth every day. It seems that no sooner that a new challenge arisen, then that challenge has dissolved into another opportunity for our God to demonstrate the power and dominion that can overcome any struggle or transgression.

During the first quarter of 2014, in the midst of the snow and the cold, our God made provision for this branch of Zion. It seemed that every Sunday in January, and even into February, there was a snowstorm. Yet, even with the slight attendance that these “snow Sundays” often caused, and the resulting diminished tithes and offerings and increased spending on snow removal, we were able to “weather the storm,” with God’s help.

In January, our Worship Planning Team working with the DuSable Museum and organized what we think was the first collaboration between a church and museum to commemorate the Maafa. Our 12 Sunday Maafa Worship Services during Black History Month were supplemented with a powerful historical context each Wednesday at the DuSable. As we remembered the Trans Atlantic Slave Trade and our ancestors from Ghana, the DuSable showed a film on Kwame Nkrumah, Ghanaian freedom fighter and first post-colonial president, and held a panel conversation; when we ventured to Haiti to celebrate Toussaint L’ Overture, the DuSable dug deeper into this incredible leader. We continued through the slave ports of New Orleans and onward, to the great migration north to Chicago. A powerful partnership indeed!



Imani Village, our green, sustainable multi-use complex under development at 95th and Cottage continues to progress in the face of challenge. With a great team in place, led by Attorney James Montgomery and Attorney Patricia Eggleston, and supplemented by the efforts of Rev. Dr. Stacey Edwards-Dunn, doors are continuing to open throughout Chicago and the state of Illinois. This project of daring imagination is coming closer to realization, daily.

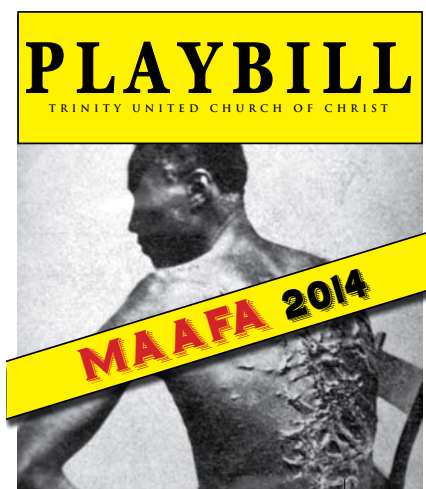
God also worked through the people of Trinity UCC, as we marched ever closer to our Raise the Roof goal of \$5 million. As I am writing this note, we are a hair's breadth away from \$4.6 million. Praise God! I have every confidence that we will meet, and even exceed our goal soon, and, as soon as our planning has concluded, we will begin working on our green roof, and other projects that will upgrade/update our physical plant and other infrastructure.

What a wonderful God we serve! What a joy to serve God, and this congregation.

Asking you to imagine . . .

*Rev. Dr. Otis Moss, III*

Rev. Dr. Otis Moss III



# Ministry at Trinity UCC

**PLAYBILL**  
TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
MAAFA EDITION

**TRINITY**  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
VNZ  
PICK  
GRSZF  
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QJHALOE  
ACZYTYNPS

**MAAFA**  
THE AFRICAN HOLOCAUST SERIES  
IMPACT ON CHICAGO  
WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 26, 6:30 PM  
PANELIST:  
CAROL L. ADAMS, PhD  
PROFESSOR AND CEO, DUBUQUE MUSEUM  
REV. DR. STEVE WOODS III  
TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
PROFESSOR CHRISTOPHER REED  
HISTORICAL SCHOLAR  
the DuSable.  
Museum of African American History  
Trinity United Church of Christ  
and  
The Illinois Amistad Commission  
Present  
**Chicago**  
Wednesday, February 26, 2014

**CHICAGO**

**NEW ORLEANS**

**HAITI**

**GHANA**

**the DuSable.**  
Museum of African American History  
Trinity United Church of Christ  
and  
The Illinois Amistad Commission  
Present  
**MAAFA**  
Wednesday, February 19, 2014  
6:30 PM  
The DuSable Museum of African American History  
302 E. 50th Place, Chicago, IL 60637  
Admission Free - Registration required at registration  
<https://www.dusablemuseum.com/maafa>

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**MAAFA**  
Wednesday, February 19, 2014

**TRINITY**  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
MAAFA  
Services of Remembrance  
Worship Supplement

**TRINITY**  
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MAAFA  
The African Holocaust Series  
In February 2014, Trinity United Church of Christ, and the DuSable Museum of African American History, are proud to present the MAAFA 2014, The African Holocaust Series, presented in part by the Illinois Amistad Commission.  
Remember to take the time to DuSable something GREAT today!  
Wednesday, February 12, 6:30 PM  
MAAFA: GHANA  
The story of Kwame Ninsin and Benjamin Ninsin's journey to Ghana.  
Wednesday, February 12, 6:30 PM  
MAAFA: CARIBBEAN (HAITI)  
Remember to take the time to DuSable something GREAT today!  
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**TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
and  
**the DuSable.**  
MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY  
**MAAFA 2014**  
Journey of Remembrance





## EBONY EXPRESSIONS



1,233 DEACON VISITS



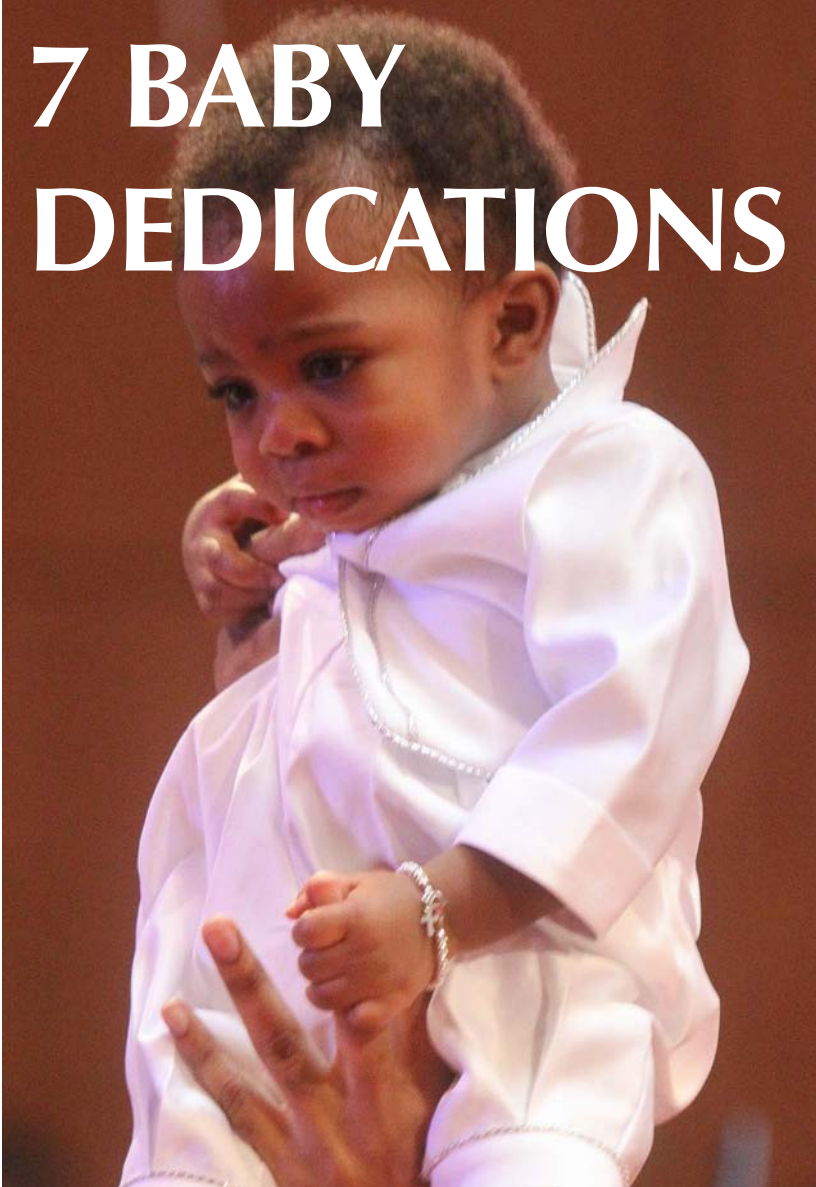
## STREET ART: ARTIST IN RESIDENCE YOUTH WORKSHOP





**33  
BAPTISMS**

**7 BABY  
DEDICATIONS**



**89 NEW MEMBERS**



# Management & Operations

## Human Resources



5-Star Award goes to Teonte Miller



**1.72% BELOW  
BUDGET ON  
SALARY AND  
BENEFITS**

## Operations



**44 SNOW DAYS AND 83 DAYS BELOW  
FREEZING**

# Operations



**\$1,824,485 Annual Trend for First Fruits (Electronic Giving)**



# Multi-Media Communications

TO DOWNLOAD:  
the all *new* [free]  
TRINITY MOBILE APP

search: **TRINITY UCC**  
in the apple app store or google play

5,738 Users

share the app!

The advertisement features a background image of a church interior with pews. It includes icons for HTML5, Apple, and Android. On the left, a tablet and smartphone display the app interface. On the right, a smartphone shows the app's purchase screen with a "Purchased" status and an "OPEN" button. A yellow arrow points from the text "TO DOWNLOAD:" towards the app icon.

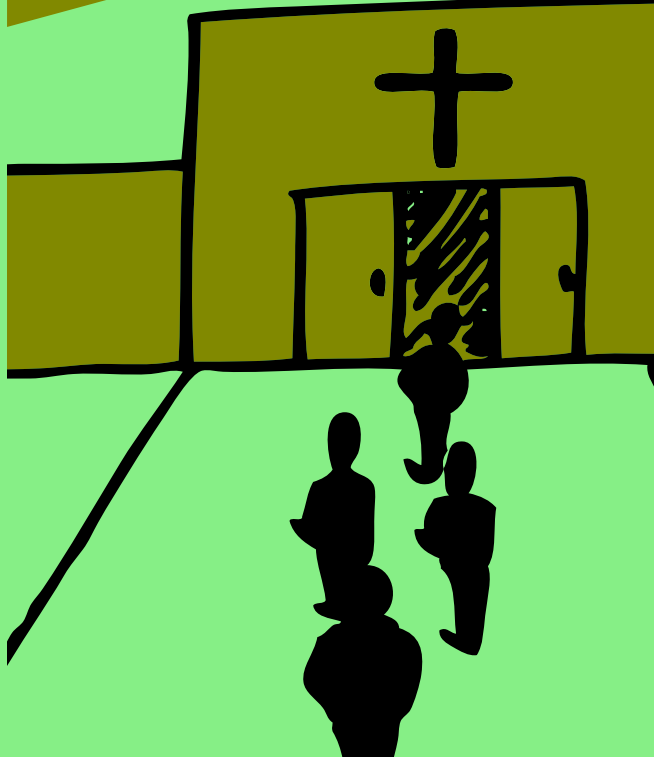




# Finances

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

## RAISE THE ROOF CAMPAIGN



**\$4.58M** from  
**1,194** Pledges

# 1Q 2014 Financial Statement

Congregation Revenue	Jan	Feb	Mar	1st Qtr 2014 Totals	2014 Budget	% of Budget	1st Qtr 2013
	<b>5 weeks</b>						
Congregational Support	599,599	690,856	772,845	2,063,299	9,753,010	21.16%	2,273,422
School	4,154	7,265	8,117	19,536	75,000	26.05%	44,071
Offering	34,677	29,647	48,191	112,515	685,570	16.41%	184,499
Contributions	10,559	41,565	69,290	121,415	412,800	29.41%	110,573
Total Congregation Revenue	648,989	769,333	898,443	2,316,765	10,926,380	21.20%	2,612,565
<b>Other Revenue</b>							
Sales	14,104	19,285	23,168	56,557	204,400	27.67%	63,110
Grant Income	0	0	0	0	2,500	0.00%	0
Rental Income	1,949	1,949	1,949	5,847	16,200	36.09%	11,914
Investment Income	(190)	113	3,584	3,507	50,520	6.94%	9,923
Other Income	313,481	63	(238)	313,306	300,000	104.44%	595
Total Other Revenue	329,344	21,409	28,463	379,217	573,620	66.11%	85,542
2013 Congregational Revenue	978,333	790,742	926,907	2,695,982	11,500,000	23.44%	2,698,108
<b>Expenses</b>							
Salaries & Related Benefits	356,781	358,034	540,035	1,254,850	5,389,900	23.28%	1,192,219
Professional Fees	74,963	48,542	45,727	169,232	712,247	23.76%	142,187
Occupancy	137,791	154,410	97,824	390,026	1,100,000	35.46%	42,510
Benevolence	48,718	82,626	89,783	221,127	1,151,900	19.20%	160,978
Program & Ministry Events	12,191	36,646	40,367	89,204	442,325	20.17%	52,182
Supplies	47,474	53,645	36,400	137,518	675,433	20.36%	172,726
Broadcast Fees	6,300	6,300	8,275	20,875	91,616	22.79%	21,670
Equipment Rental & Maintenance	6,786	11,164	12,579	30,529	97,865	31.20%	30,267
Insurance	42,885	35,225	32,555	110,666	474,342	23.33%	166,507
Interest & Bank Fees	30,382	30,957	29,899	91,237	353,711	25.79%	104,971
Miscellaneous	3,628	2,444	3,361	9,433	55,661	16.95%	9,102
Depreciation	81,720	80,128	79,733	241,580	955,000	25.30%	265,293
2013 Total Expenses	849,618	900,121	1,016,539	2,766,278	11,500,000	24.05%	2,360,610
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>	<b>128,715</b>	<b>(109,379)</b>	<b>(89,632)</b>	<b>(70,297)</b>			<b>337,498</b>



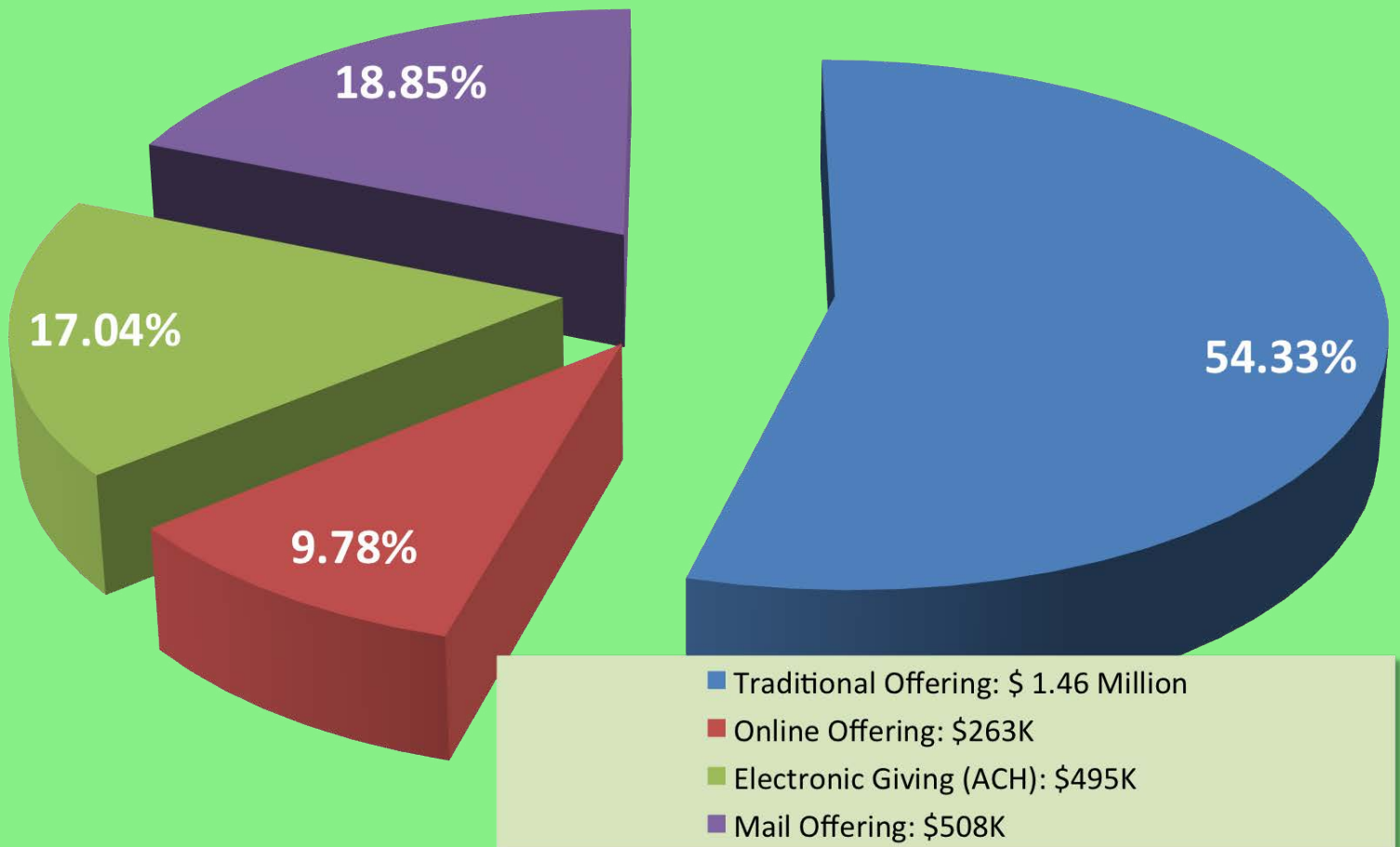
# 1Q 2014 Benevolence

		Direct Benevolence	Funds Collected
Outreach Ministries	Deacon Benevolence	\$16,156	\$26,519
	Food Share	\$16,679	\$11,873
	Operation Share		\$1,614
	Our Church's Wider Mission		\$263
	Scholarships & Theological Reimbursements	\$16,826	\$30,474
	Subtotal Outreach Ministries	\$49,662	\$70,742
Outside Corporations		Direct Cash	Funds Collected
	Amani-Trinity United Community Health	\$7,200	
	Endeleo Institute	\$91,000	
	Kwame Nkrumah Academy	\$18,575	\$19,585
	Imani Village	\$1,577	\$1,517
	Trinity Acres Housing	\$27,775	
	Trinity Higher Education Corp.	\$4,948	\$1,615
	Trinity UCC-Gary	\$2,000	
	Subtotal to Outside Corporations	\$153,075	\$22,718
TOTAL 1Q BENEVOLENCE EXPENSE		\$202,737	

Personnel & Buildings	In-Direct Expenses to Trinity UCC			
		Personnel Expense	Building Expense	Totals
	Village Center	\$23,789	\$20,942	\$44,731
	901 E. 95th Street		\$172,681	\$172,681
	532 W. 95th Street	\$24,811	\$43,536	\$68,347
	Deton Brooks	\$24,761	\$12,153	\$36,914
	Total to In-Direct Building Expenses	\$73,362	\$249,312	\$322,673

# Offerings

**1Q 2014 Offering Categories**



2013 Offering Category	%	Total Collected
Traditional Offering	54.33%	\$1,464,695
Online Offering	9.78%	\$263,677
Electronic Giving (ACH)	17.04%	\$459,400
Mail Offering	18.85%	\$508,209
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$2,695,981</b>







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