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Dan from World Mag: Okay. And so I understand the policy a little bit. Um, uh, who, who on your either elder board or I need to get that like an executive leadership team who actually, um, um, is able to see or set, Pastor MacDonald's salary.

Jeff Smith: I do, Dan. This is Jeff Smith and I'm the treasurer of the church and also on the executive committee. The way that works is, that the executive committee itself reviews all the information regarding James' salary, So that's something we take seriously and document and review every year at the same time. And that's the way it works.

Okay.

Dan from World Mag:

Jeff Smith: And, and just so you know, also, it's not something that the same group of guys does every time over years and

years, we have new people come onto the executive committee. And so as a function of that, you have new eyes looking at this and so there's a refreshing of it and there's a vetting of it that we all see.

And, I can say James does not participate in that. We come to all of our assessments and conclusions just among ourselves.

Dan from World Mag:

Okay, that's helpful. Thank you. You recently filed a lawsuit against the Evangelical Christian Credit Union. Right? Can you explain the reasoning for that?

Jeff Smith:

Sure. Dan. Let me take that one. That's kind of in my court as the treasurer. Just a little bit of background. I've been with, as an elder at Harvest for the past six years. And I'm currently as I said on the executive committee as the treasurer. Pastor James, by the way, is not involved in the finances of our church. We have people that do that. I'm one of them.