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Donarius Church Software

Our Old System

Previously the tellers needed 1.5 hours to manually list the envelopes and prepare the bank deposit. The envelope secretary required another hour to enter just the donation envelopes into her computer system and balance it with the handwritten teller reports and email a total printout to the treasurer. The treasurer compared the teller reports with the printed report from the envelope secretary and the bank deposit. The old system used only by the envelope secretary could not handle “non-receiptable” givings hence it could not be used by the tellers.

Our New Donarius System

We have used Donarius for one year and are delighted with it. Now the tellers in one hour enter the envelopes including the “non-receiptable” money such as: rental income, loose offering, fund raising events etc and prepare an Excel spreadsheet for the bank deposit. The information is recorded and shared using DropBox, which is accessed only by: the tellers, the envelope secretary and the treasurer. The envelope secretary reviews the entries made by the tellers and makes any corrections. The treasurer prints a final report and posts the totals to the general ledger. In case of a dispute the treasurer keeps the printout made by the tellers and the totals after any corrections were made. The system keeps all activity in detail so that everything can be easily reviewed.

Overview

Donarius allows the tellers to “do it right once” saving time for the tellers, the envelope secretary and the treasurer, and provide an audit trail. I have considerable experience with computer business systems and financial controls and reporting and Donarius has handled every problem I have thrown at it. Nuverb Systems responds instantly to questions and emails the instructions instead of just telling me to “read the help screens”. The control of church money is much improved by everyone using the same program and computer file. The Donarius reports are easy to read and compare with the general ledger and financial statements.

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