

# Matthew 25 Proposal

October 2020

**Motion: PMRV commits to become a Matthew 25 mid council. We pledge to encourage our congregations to become Matthew 25 churches and embrace these areas of focus:**

- *Building congregational vitality*
- *Dismantling structural racism*
- *Eradicating systemic poverty*

The Faith, Education and Leadership Development Committee will make available the following resources:

- Books from the following categories
  - action guides for confronting racism
  - historical perspectives on race in America
  - sociological perspectives on race in America
  - faith perspectives on race
- Movies that stimulate thought and discussion
- Resources from PCUSA Store and PresbyterianMission.org
- Pastors and lay leaders who are able and willing to lead a discussion or book study

Mission/Evangelism would serve as a clearinghouse to assist churches in Matthew 25 endeavors. The committee hopes to provide mini grants to churches for Matthew 25 work.

Social Justice and Peacemaking will inform churches of the resources available from the denomination and elsewhere. The committee will provide suggestions for partnering with various community organizations that will work on the tenets of this proposal.

The Leadership Team recommends possible changes to the budget structure and some tweaking of the Manual of Operations as it relates to Matthew 25.

Link: <https://vimeo.com/327303207>

## Matthew 25 Team

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