

Save Messiah Talking Points

- In 2019, the SEC (Securities & Exchange Commission) filed a lawsuit against a local business claiming the business defrauded numerous investors.
- In January of 2021, the SEC Receiver filed a federal lawsuit against Messiah demanding Messiah return of over \$780,000 in donations made by the business over a 10-year period.
- Messiah has done nothing wrong and is not accused of any wrongdoing.
- Messiah does not have the donations as they've been used to support its ministry.
- After two years, the Receiver has rejected multiple settlement offers and is demanding Messiah pay \$487,000 by November 15, 2023.
- If the \$487,000 is not paid by 11-15-23, a judgement will be enforced that will freeze Messiah's bank accounts and will likely lead to a forced sale of the church's real estate. In addition, the demand will increase to \$587,000.
- Illinois law allows for the claw back of donations to charities based on accused misdeeds of the donor. There are no laws in Illinois to protect nonprofit charities, so no charities in Illinois are safe from facing this same scenario.
- Messiah needs everyone's help in fighting the modern-day battle of David versus Goliath.
- Go to SaveMessiah.org for more information and to donate.