Hidden Gems

Tap into amazing MP features that not only set MP apart from other ChMS on the market, but can also set your ministry apart!





Overview

- Tools
- Shortcuts everyone should know
- Reports, Views & Notifications
- Milestones
- Opportunities
- SPoC Fun





Advanced Search Tips & Tricks Transfer Selection Trim Selection

Tools



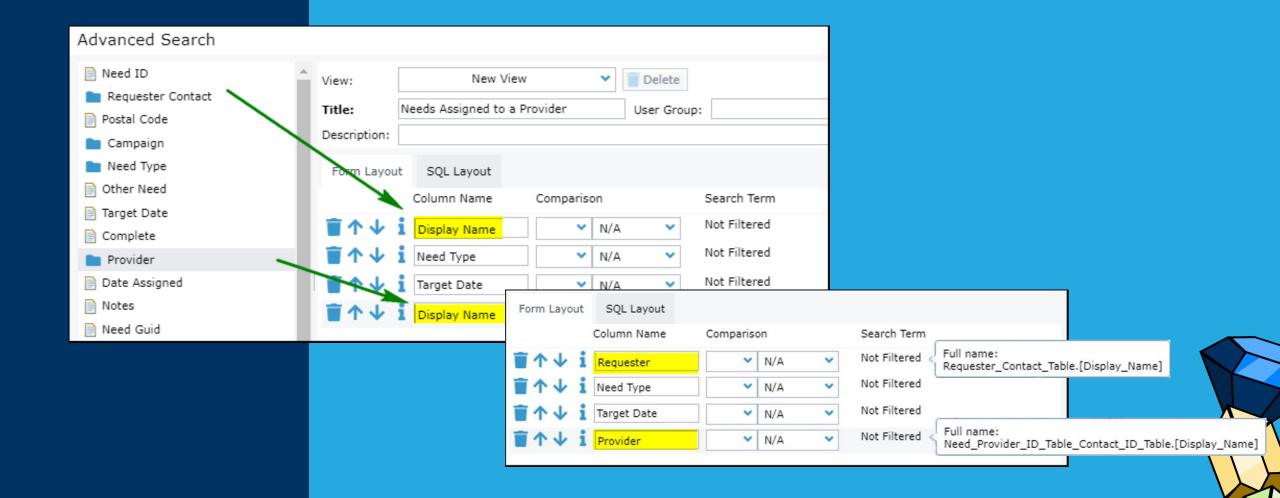


Advanced Search Tips & Tricks

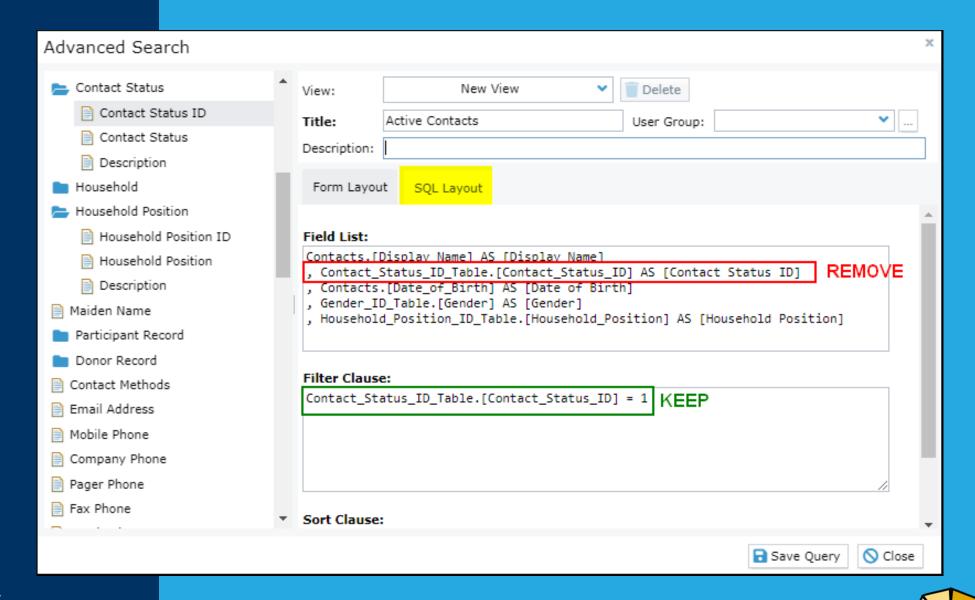
- Full Field Name
- Rename Fields
- Remove Fields
- Default Field List
- Drag & Drop Reorder
- ID Fields



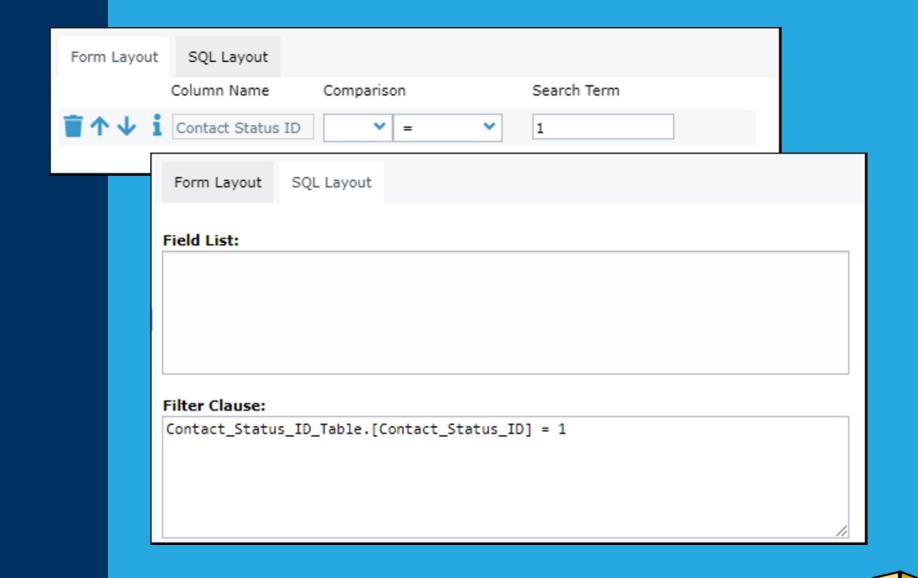




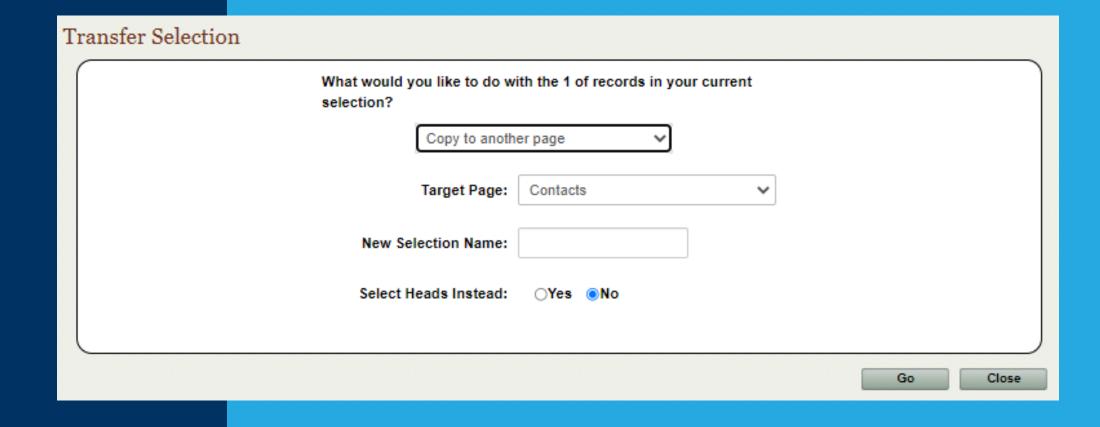






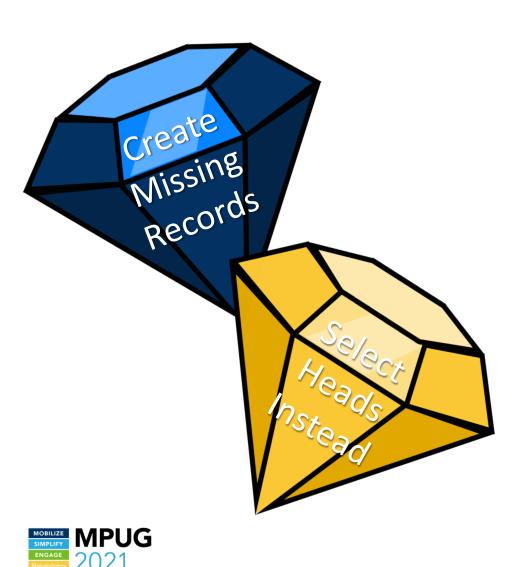


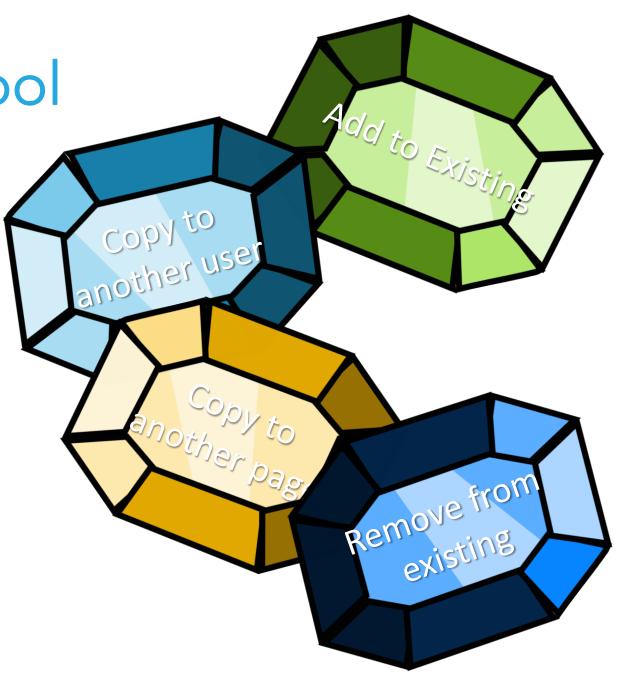






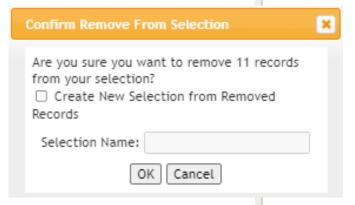
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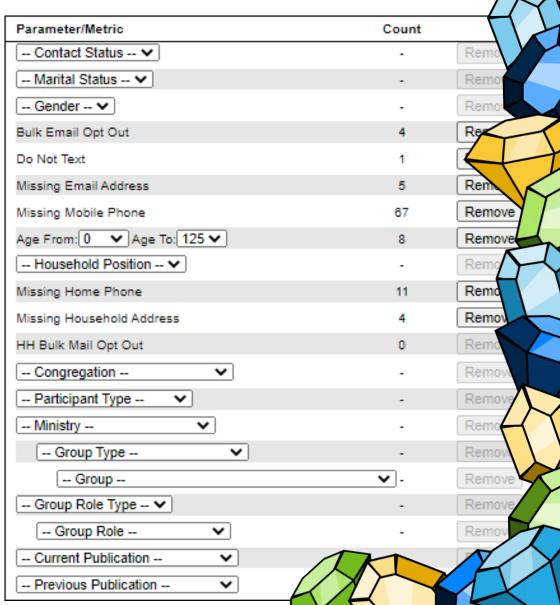


Trim Selection Tool

- Spot Check Selections
- Create Selections









Shortcuts!





Data Grid

- Drag & drop columns
- Sort multiple columns
- Shift & Select records
- Layout





Wildcards



Knowledge Base > MinistryPlatform > The Basics > Searches > By Wildcard

By Wildcard



You can narrow your search using wildcards. To do so, input the desired wildcard into the Search field along with your possible to search for NULL values using wildcards; this can only be done using views.

* or % (asterisk or percent) - Returns any string of zero of more characters. For example, searching for M*ord with Mulford.

_ (underscore) - Returns any single character. In some cases, this works better than using an asterisk (*) because character (or however many characters that matches the number of underscores used). For example, _heryl returns the number of underscores used.

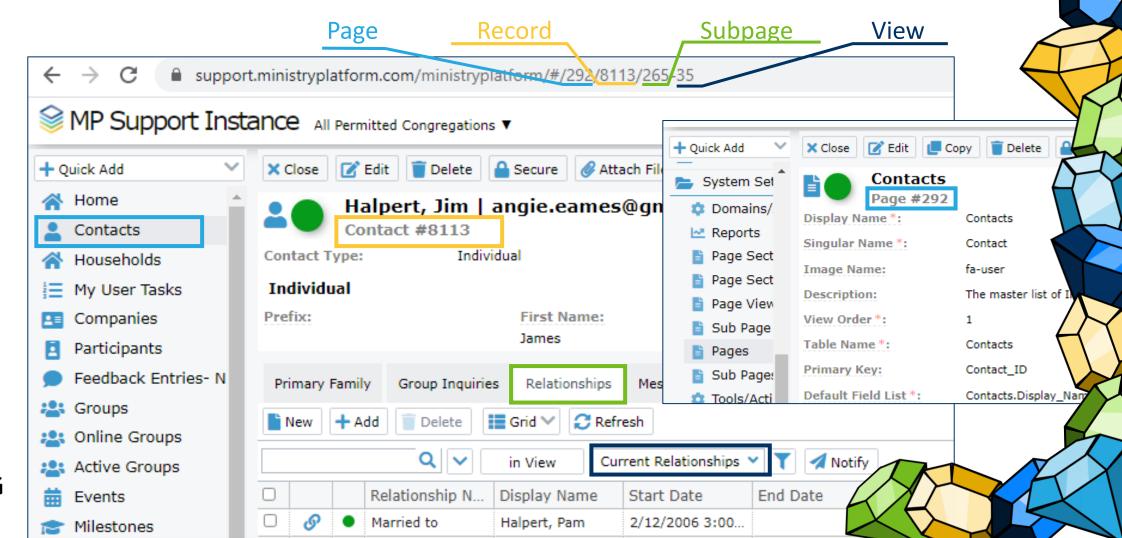
[n] - Where n is any number of characters that are possibilities you want returned. For example, searching for zip and 30093.

[n-n] - Where n-n is a range of number or letters that are possibilities you want returned. For example, searching 10092, 30093, and 30094

[^] (caret) - Returns any single character **not** within the specified range ([^aeiou]). For example, searching for 300 If you use it as shown - [^] - with no other characters specified with either your comma specified range ([^aeiou]). For example, searching for 300 If you use it as shown - [^] - with no other characters specified with either your comma specified range ([^aeiou]). For example, searching for 300 If you use it as shown - [^] - with no other characters specified with either your comma specified range ([^aeiou]). For example, searching for 300 If you use it as shown - [^] - with no other characters specified with either your comma specified range ([^aeiou]).

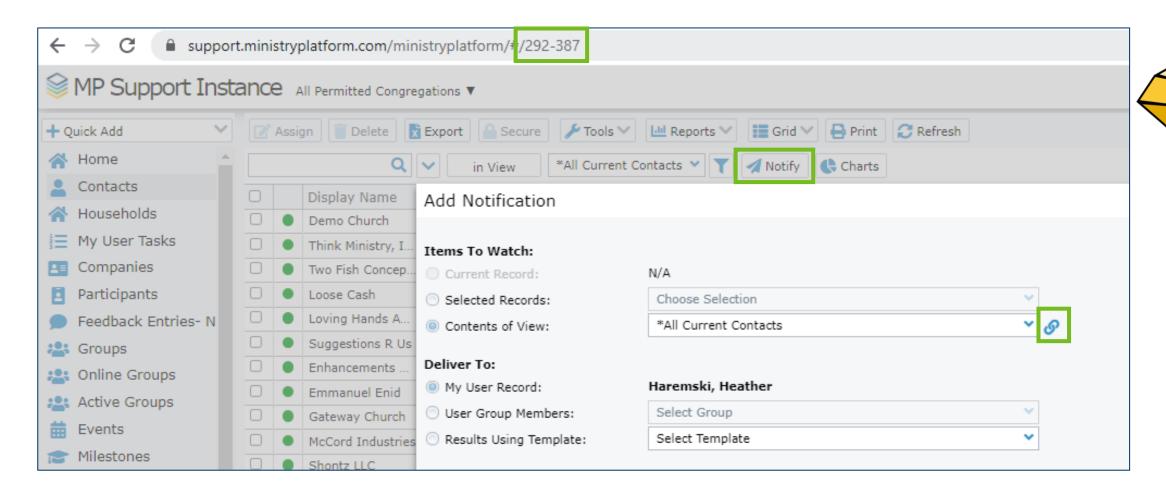


Platform URLs





Direct Links to Views





Stat Views
Helpful Reports
Letters
Notifications

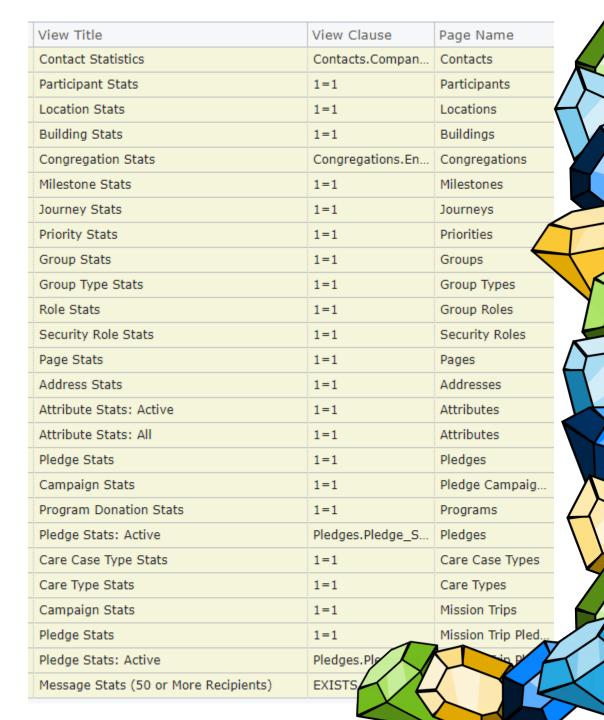
Reports, Views & Notifications





Stats Views

- Participant Stats
- Group Stats
- Pledge Stats

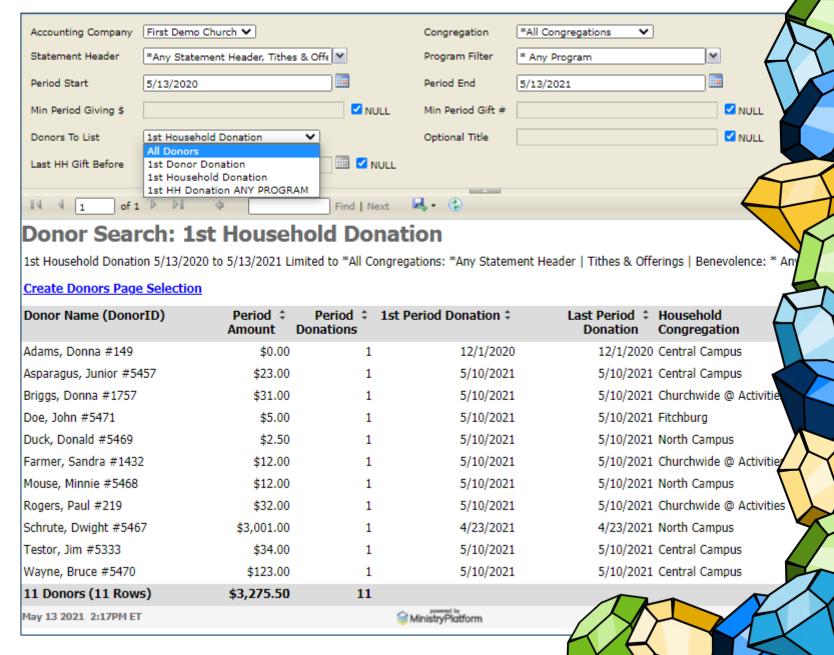




Reports

Find Donors

- Time Period
- Statement Headers
- Programs
- Amount
- Number of Gifts
- First time givers
 - Ever
 - To Program

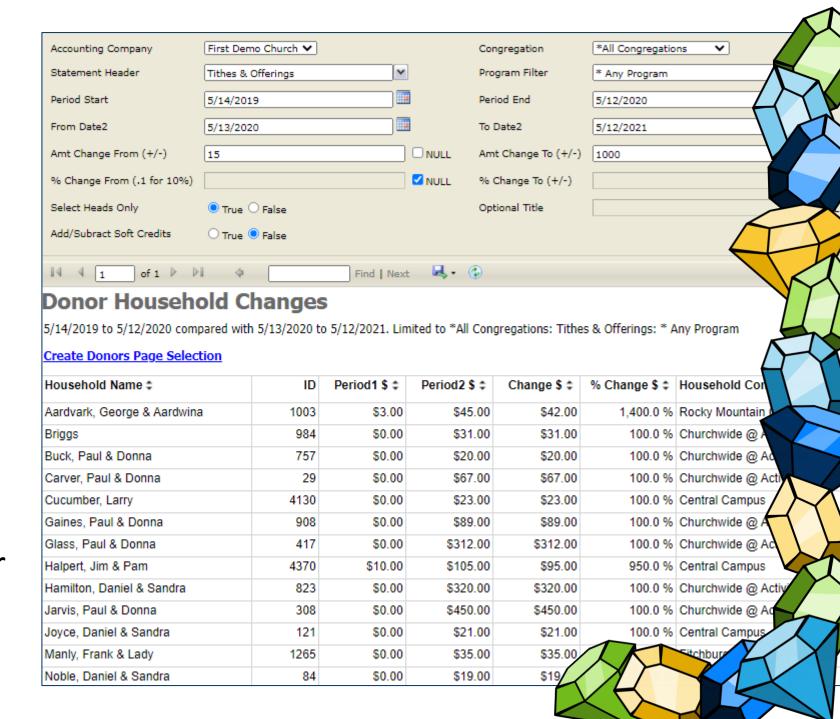




Reports

Find Donor Household Change

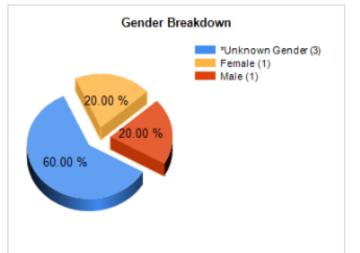
- Compare Giving for a Household between two time periods
- Did the Giving Series impact giving?
- Did our Capital Campaign impact our General Giving?

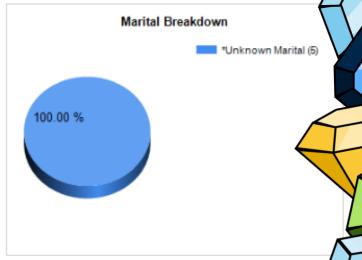


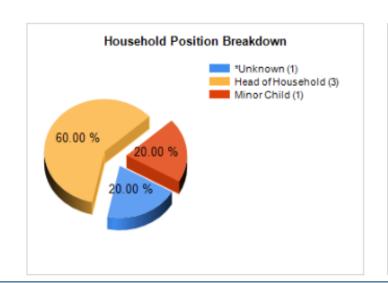


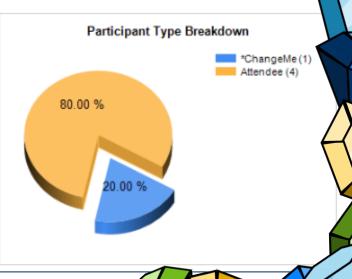
Reports Selected **Contact Demographics**

Selected Contact Demographics











Reports-

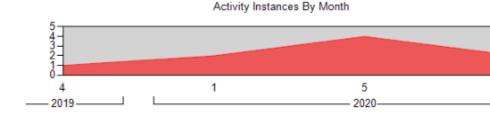
Selected **Contact Facts** Selected Household **Facts**



Selected Contact Facts

Arthur Aardvark (#8092)

Marital Unknown | Gender Unknown | Minor Child | Participant Since 04/16/19 Current Type: Attendee | Engage Level: Partially Engaged | Last Active: 6/1/2020



Fact Additional Information

■ Family Members

Mr. Bob OATest Jr. (Marital Unknown/Gender Unknown/Head of Household/ID#7463)

Dr. Grandpa Aardvark CPA, P.A. (Widowed/Male/Head of

Household/ID#4053)

Mrs. Granny Aardvark (Married/Female/Head of

Household/ID#4094)

Miss Aardwina Ann Aardvark (Single/Female/Head of

Household/ID#7434)

Participant Since 05/09/51 Current Type: Member

Participant Since 04/06/15 Current Type: Guest

Participant Since 10/09/10 Current Type: Member

Engage Level: Partially Engaged

Engage Level: Partially Engaged

Engage Level: Partially Engaged

Participant Since 12/19/14 Current Type: Attendee

Engage Level: Lapsed

■ Contact Information

Home Phone: 999-555-5432 Arthur: No Mobile On File

123 Nocturnal Trail Ste 123b

duplicateemail@gmail.com

Hahira GA 33333

■ Individual History

First Event: 05/28/20 First Group: 01/15/20

Current Congregation: Churchwide @ Activities

First Milestone: None Listed First Response: None Listed

Last Event: 06/01/20 Last Group: 01/15/20

Source: Contributions Processing Tool

■ Events Detail (5)

06/01/2020 Angie Register into Series test 02 Registered 05/31/2020 Angie Register into Series test 02 Registered 05/30/2020 Angie Register into Series test 02 Registered 05/29/2020 Angie Register into Series test 02 Registered 05/28/2020 Angie Register into Series test 02 Registered

□ Current Group Detail (1)

01/15/2020 Grade 06

Group Member

May 12 2021 4:10PM ET



Reports **Events** Helpful Links

Record Review & Useful Links

Mars Mission - Test (#8916)

Approved

Platform URL

Date & Time: 2025-06-03 12:00AM thru 2025-07-06 12:00AM

Event Type: Special Event

Program/Ministry/Congregation: Missions & Outreach Activities/Missions &

Outreach/Churchwide @ Activities

Web Approved Visibility: 4 - Public

Your event will appear on the Public Portal once web approved.

Registrants will NOT get an optional registration message about this event

Registrants will NOT get an email reminder about this event

Public Description: Estimated Cost \$5000 This is a test - can we have two

paragraphs?

Online Registration Product: Mars Mission

Registration Active

Portal Event Detail URL

Base Price: \$5000.00

Portal Registration URL

Option Group*: Yes (\$0.00), Option Group*: No (\$0.00), Option Group*: Maybe (\$0.00)

Form Title: Mission Trip Release

Connected

If your registration is active, registrants will complete the questions on this form. Required fields have an asterisk (*).

Custom Form Record

Form Instructions:

Please complete the following information as a part of your Mission Trip Registration.

More info:

- Mars One Application
- Preparing for Mars

Form Fields: Emergency First Name* (Text Box), Emergency Last Name* (Text Box), Confirm Registration* (Checkbox), Are You Immunized (Checkbox), Emergency Phone Number* (Text Box)

Rooms Not Yet Approved

Not Yet Approved

Dates & Times: 2021-05-12 4:15PM to 5:15PM

Not Yet Approved Rooms: Kitchen (Kitchen)



Reports Responsibilities Transfer



User Management & Staff Transitions

Manage Security Roles and Users for a smooth transition when a staff member is leaving or changing position.



Important! This report makes changes to many areas of MinistryPlatform. In addition to the parameters above, this report also changes Global Filters, Page Views, Primary Contacts, Message Author/From/Reply To, and more!

Set both the User to transfer records from and the User to transfer records to. These should not be the same User. If you change parameters above, click "View Reports" to refresh the list below.

Click the "Remove/Transfer Rights & Records" link if/when ready to take action to thoroughly remove of transfer a User from current records in your database.

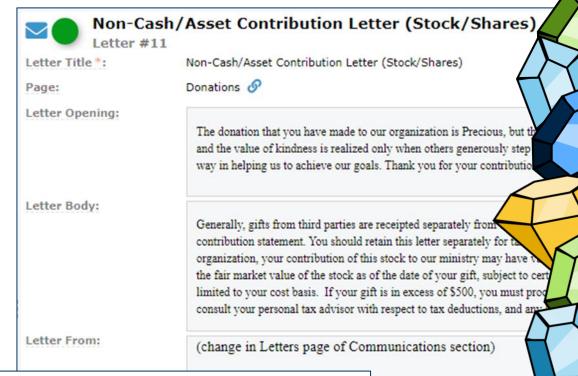
Rights & Records Will Be: Removed From: Haremski, Heather | heatherm Transferred To: Eames, Angie | angie@ministryplatform.com

Remove/Transfer Rights & Re

- User Record Edit: Admin Set to False
- User Record Edit: Can Impersonate Set to False
- User Record Edit: Setup Admin Set to False
- Security Roles To Remove (23)
- Delegates To Remove (1)
- User Groups To Remove (2)
- Dashboard Charts To Remove (1)
- Page Views to Leave Alone (33)
- Page Views to Transfer (5)
- Sub Page Views to Leave Alone (1)
- Congregation Pastor to Transfer (1)
- Congregation Contact to Transfer (1)
- Process Manager to Transfer (2)
- Message Author To Transfer (2)
- Message From Contact To Transfer (1)
- □ Template From Contact To Transfer (6)
- Message Reply To Contact To Transfer (1)
- Template Reply To Contact To Transfer (5)
- Event Primary Contact to Transfer (1)
- Form Primary Contact to Transfer (1)
- Group Primary Contact to Transfer (4)
- Ministry Primary Contact to Transfer (1)
- Opportunity Contact Person to Transfer,

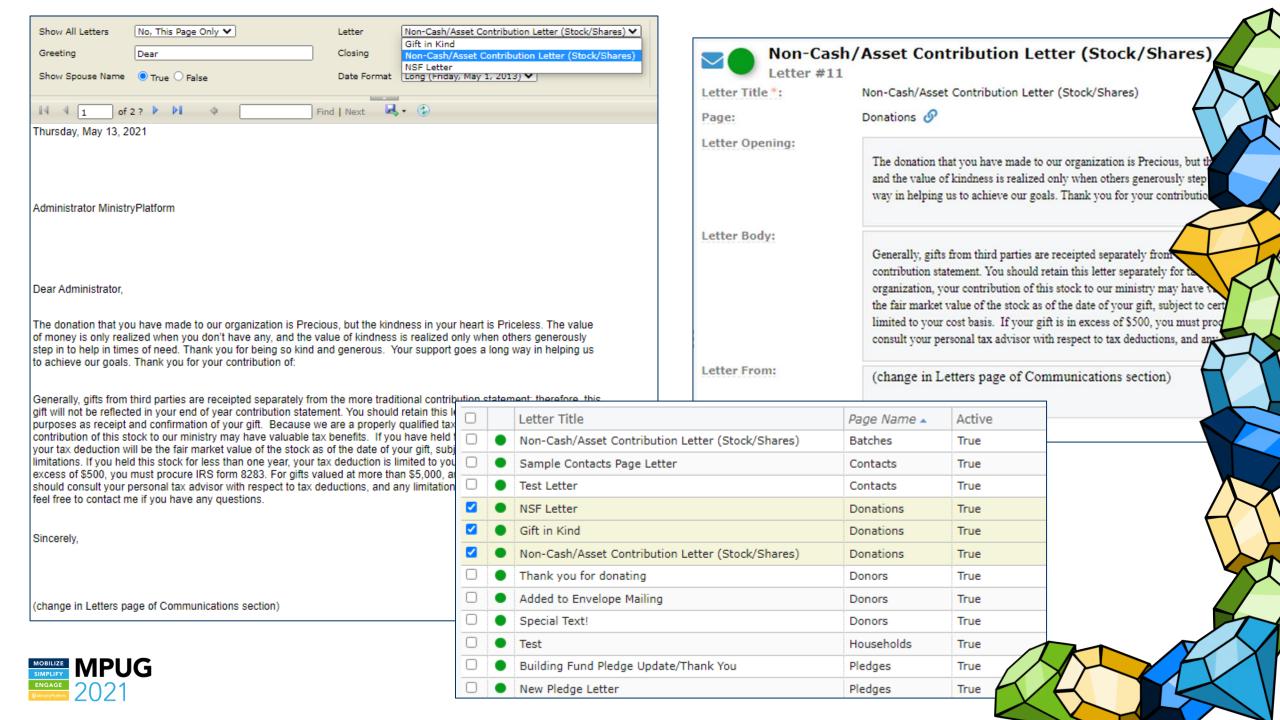
Letters

- Create Letter on Communications > Letters page
- Selected Contact Letter Report









Letters

- Selected Milestone Letter
- Selected Response Letter



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Pastor of Everything

May 13 2021

Mr. Kevin McCord 47 Mill Creek Rd Crawfordville, FL 32327-3075

Dear Kevin.

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Notifications

- Automated emails sent based on scheduled jobs in the database
- Messages are stored in MP
- Configured by Configuration Settings

Form Response

Background Check Needed

Background Check Status

Happy Birthday

Care Case

Event Registrant Message

Event Reminder

Event Attendee Message

Group Attendance

Group Servant & Leader Service

• <u>Item Notifications</u>

Opportunity Reminder

Opportunity Response

User Task



Milestones & Opportunities





Milestones

- An important date or accomplishment by a church participant
- Multiple Milestones make up a Journey

Journey	Milestone
Membership	Membership Class
	Membership Interview
	Membership Vote
Spiritual Formation	
	Salvation
	Baptism



Milestones

- 1. Add through Connection Card Tool
- 2. Process Steps for Follow-up
- 3. Action
- 4. Reporting







Selected History Since Milestone

Contact	Household Position	Status	Participant Typ	oe	Baptism
***Default, Contact (ID 2)	Head of Household	Active	*ChangeMe		8/17/
***Unassigned, Contact (ID 4)		Active	Attendee		8/17/
Aardvark, Aardwina CPA, P.A. (ID 4012)	Head of Household	Inactive	*ChangeMe		8/17/
Aardvark, Aardy Jr. (ID 4011)		Deceased	Attendee		
Aardvark, Aaricia (ID 4022)		Deceased	Member		8/17/
Aardvark, Aarnie (ID 4014)	Adult Child	Inactive	Member	Jo	urne
Aardvark, Grandpa CPA, P.A. (ID 4053)	Head of Household	Temporarily Away	Member		itor As signed
Abbott, Betti (ID 7371)	Head of Household	Inactive	Non-Member b Serves		ate Parti
Abbott-Fryer, Daniel (ID 1855)		Inactive	Non-Member b Serves	Ind	ividuals
Abbott-Fryer, Donna (ID 1858)		Inactive	Non-Member b Serves		

Irney Participants

8/17/2010

8/17/2010

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Donations

-535

-535

72

1st HH Donation

Weeks To Fact

tor Assimilation igned Through 5/13/2021

te Participants Page Selection

nber b	l	st Milestone - Last Milestone)	1New Visitor first time visit to Worship	2New Visitor Telephone Call		Attends	5Visitor mailed invitation to join church	wish to		8New Member Commitment
	□ Discontinued	****Unassigned, Contact (11/28/2010 - 6/28/2014)	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
		Totals for 1 Individuals Discontinued	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
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		Bulldog, Cynthia (5/8/2019 - 5/8/2019)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Eames, Angie (3/18/2019 - 3/18/2019)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Gomez, Ashley INACTIVE (9/10/2018 - 9/10/2018)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Hartung, Carrie (6/22/2018 - 6/22/2018)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Higginbotham, Matt (7/8/2015 - 7/8/2015)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Hoffman, Jed (12/5/2017 - 12/5/2017)	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Jones, Andy (4/2/2019 - 5/13/2019)	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
		JOnes, George (9/17/2018 - 5/13/2019)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Group Types

Weeks To Fact

Ministry Team

Weeks To Fact

311

1New Visitor first

Weeks To Fact

324

324

time visit to Worship | Telephone Call

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Weeks To Fact

Milestones

3New Visitor Email

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Weeks To Fact

or Letter

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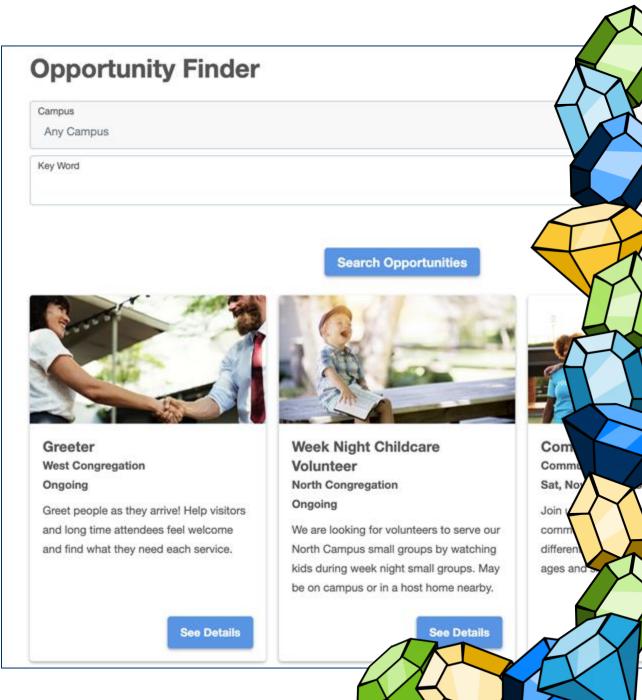
2New Visitor

Weeks To Fact



Opportunities

- Ways to be involved
- Widget Opportunity Finder
- A Response is created when someone... responds... to an Opportunity





Opportunities

- Automation:
 - Confirmation Email
 - Reminder Email
 - Add to Group
 - Add to Event
- Response Follow-up Process
- Connection Card Tool
- Follow-up
- Reporting



Selected	Response	Listing
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Respondent	Email	Phone	Comme
Widows & Single Moms Ca	ar Care (McCord, Kevin) From 5/31/20	019 to 7/20/2020	
Bulldog, Cynthia From Web: ,	From Web:	M:/H: From Web:	Status: O How lop spac wg
Eames, Angie From Web: ,	angie@ministryplatform.com From Web:	M:406-697-7320/H:406-248-7105 From Web:	Sta. Conne
Total Widows & Single Mo	ms Car Care: 2		`
Donate Blood (Aardvark, A	Aardy Jr.) From 8/23/2019 to 8/23/20	019	
Eames, Angie From Web: ,	angie@ministryplatform.com From Web:	M:406-697-7320/H:406-248-7105 From Web:	Status: Cl
Total Donate Blood: 1			
Baking Christmas Cookies	(Eames, Bridger) From 8/29/2019 to	8/7/2020	
***Default, Contact From Web: Testing, Test	support@ministryplatform.com From Web: melissa@thinkministry.com	M:678-404-2678/H: From Web: 714-555-5555	Status: O test
****Default, Contact From Web: Morris, Ashley	support@ministryplatform.com From Web: ashleynmorris1109@gmail.com	M:678-404-2678/H: From Web: 724-766-0100	Status: O Hi I need
Eames, Angie From Web: Eames, Angie	angie@ministryplatform.com From Web: angie@thinkministry.com	M:406-697-7320/H:406-248-7105 From Web: 555-888-4479	Status: O
Morris, Ashley From Web: ,	ashley@ministryplatform.com From Web:	M:724-766-0100/H: From Web:	Status: O
Total Baking Christmas Co	okies: 4		



Optional Reminder Message: Send To Heads:



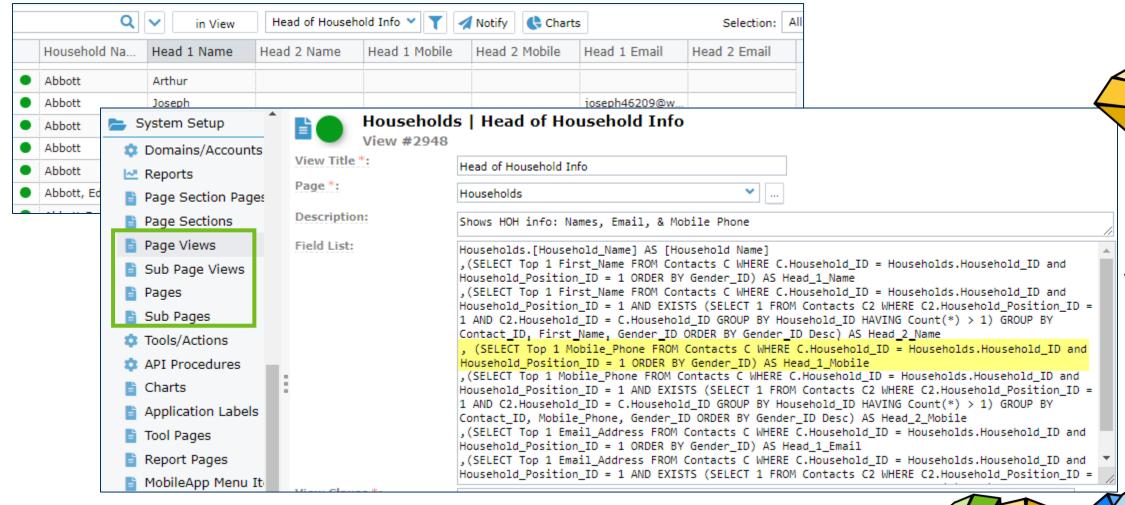
System Setup SQL
Default Field List Modifications
Snippets
User Rights & Restrictions page

SPoC Fun!





SQL from System Setup Pages





Default Field List - Merge Fields

Selected Record

- Process Messages
- Data Fields
- Snippets

Consider:

• Link to Form Response



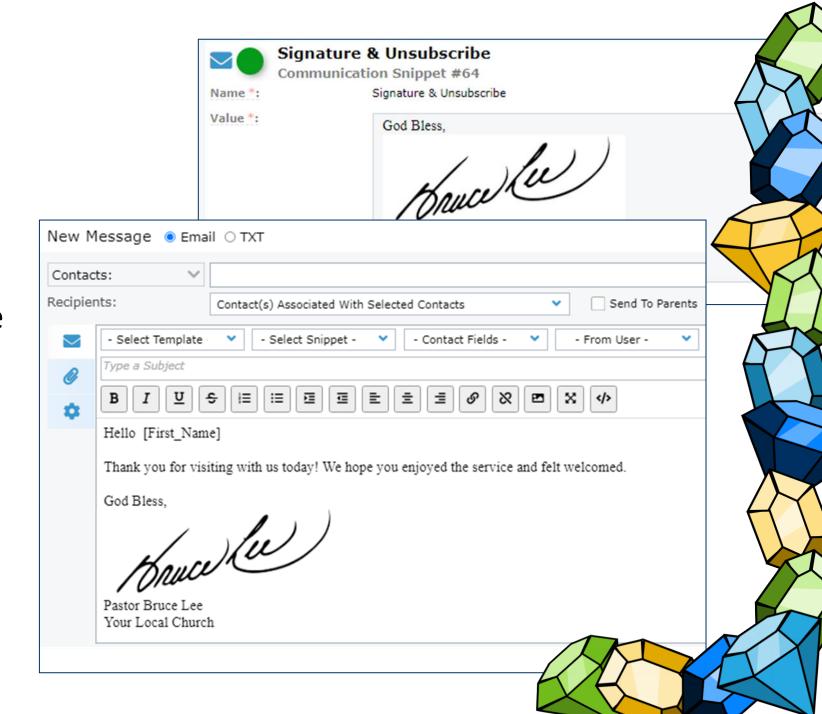
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Snippets

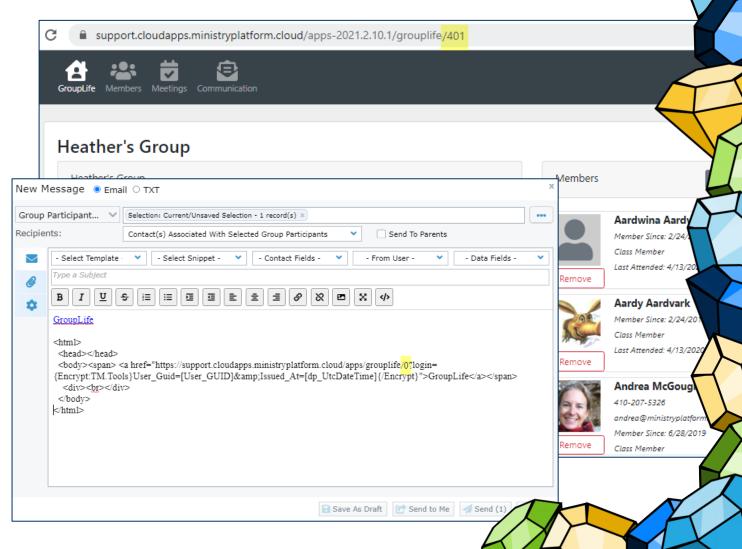
- Mini Template
- Signature with image
- Handwritten signature
- Unsubscribe text with Widget link





Bonus: GroupLife Snippet Update

- Snippet to link Group Leaders to GroupLife
- Send bulk email with link by updating the Default Field List
- GroupLife URL ends in the ID





User Rights

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Knowledge Base > Support & Services > Services > Ready-Made Solutions

Ready-Made Solutions

The following applications and solutions are available upon request. Contact Support to get started!

Snapshot Services

Snapshot Services will add historical data in monthly increments so the church can provide church analysis, charts, views, reports, etc. to church leaders over any reporting period (monthly, quarterly, semi-annual, annual, etc.). The monthly increments cannot be customized at this time.

Snapshot services cost \$25/month for either or both, installation includes:

- Engagement Snapshot: A historical log of what your Participants were doing individually by month in terms of giving, serving, group life, and more.
- Donor Snapshot: A historical log of a Donor's direct and soft credit giving by month, including comparison data for prior periods.







Knowledge Base > CloudServices

CloudServices



CloudService Applications cost \$25/month for any or all; installation is included. Future enhancements/updates and support are also included. The specific services you want can be configured upon request.

- Contact Status Management // Automatically will inactivate or reactivate Contacts based on custom rules for each Participant Type.
- Front Porch Wifi Presence Integration // Enables captive portal as entry for user onto your wifi system and data capture by Front
 Porch. Required in addition to an account with Front Porch.
- Geocoding Utility // Uses the Bing API to geocode addresses.
- Distance and Drive Time Utility // Uses the Bing API to calculate the number of miles and number of driving minutes from the Household Address to the Household Congregation Address.
- ICS Event Calendar Feed // The ICS Calendar Feed provides a calendar in an iCalendar format.
- Background Check Consent PDF Email // Automatically PDFs the Background Check Consent and emails it to Protect My Ministry
 to ensure compliance with Georgia state laws.
- Front Porch Extensions // Automatically adds Event Participant records to an Event the night after so they can be used in attendance.
- Inbound Texting // Coming soon!!!
- Image Resizer // Automatically resize images attached to Groups, Opportunities, and/or Events to a specified max height and/or width.



What Hidden Gems have YOU discovered?



