

American Baptist Churches of the Great Rivers Region

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## 2025 MINISTRY GRANT

This Great Rivers Region Grant is offered to encourage and empower our region churches to make God's mission their passion in new ways. These are matching grants that can be used by GRR churches for any <u>new</u> ministry directed to those outside the church while engaging members of the applying church. A ministry grant is not to be sent to a person or ministry nor to fund individuals' on mission trips.

Grant Qualifications:

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ This is a <u>new ministry</u>.
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_ The focus is on those outside the church.
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_ It must engage church members.
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_ The grant request is for ministries that will be <u>completed</u> in <u>2025</u>.
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_ The grant request may be sent any time in <u>2025</u> while funds last. See #4.

## Requirements:

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ The requesting church must be in good standing with the region.
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_ Submit a 1–2-page plan about the new ministry, including the merit of the project.
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_ Submit the 2025 church approved budget showing the project budget.
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_ Submit the application form with all information, including signatures.
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_ Submit this form once all lines are complete and checked off.
- 6. \_\_\_\_\_ When the ministry is complete, email a short summary to the region office showing benefits to the church and what was learned.

Ministry Grants awards are 50% of the project budget, up to \$1,500. For instance:

-If the project is budgeted at \$5,000 and the grant request is approved, the award is \$1,500. -If the project is budgeted at \$500 and the grant request is approved, the award is \$250.

The Region Executive will review each proposal and make awards based on merit and the availability of funds. Notice of awards will be made as soon as possible by <u>email.</u> Great Rivers Region

Church Legal Name:
Church Mailing Address:
Contact Phone:
Contact Email:
Project Name & Description:
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We certify that the church has authorized this project and included it in the 2025 church budget in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_, The budget is included with this application.

Pastor Signature/Date

Moderator Signature/Date

Submit all documents to either <a href="mailto:nancy@abcgrr.org">nancy@abcgrr.org</a> or ABCGRR POB 13457 Springfield IL 62791