

# NCM THEOLOGICAL/BIBLICAL EDUCATION GRANT

The New Church Ministry (NCM) of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), working in partnership Lilly Endowment, Inc., has limited funds available to provide continuing Theological/Biblical education grants to new church pastors (NCPs) with limited financial resources. Licensed pastors will be given priority. This grant is made available for the purpose of helping NCPs establish their new Disciples' congregations.

**IMPORTANT: Grant ONLY available to NCPs in years 3-5 of new church project.**

## **Read and follow the guidelines carefully!**

**Failure to do so WILL result in having your grant application delayed or denied.**

- Grants are made for **up to \$800** per NCP.
- Grants may be used to pay for tuition, transportation, and lodging.
- Grants may be used for, but are not limited to seminary courses, preaching seminars, etc.
- Grants may be awarded more than once to an NCP. However, **the accumulated total shall not exceed \$800.**
- All grant requests must be endorsed and signed by the regional or area Minister and others as appropriate.
- The New Church Ministry Team reviews all applications quarterly. Grant money will be awarded at the end of the month of the deadline.  
**Application deadlines:**  
**March 15, June 15, September 15, December 15.**
- Grants that have been approved and funds forwarded for a particular NCP's education cannot be transferred or used for a different NCP. Unused funds shall be returned to the NCM office.

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## APPLICATION CHECKLIST

**All completed applications MUST include the following attachments:**

- Event you wish to attend and copy of brochure.
- Explanation of how you believe this experience will help you grow your Disciple congregation.
- Itemize the tuition, transportation, and lodging expenses. Provide as much information as possible (i.e. copies of registration forms, etc.)
- Written history of new church project, including length of time congregation has been worshipping and average attendance.

Grant applications should be mailed to: **New Church Ministry**  
**P.O. Box 7030**  
**Indianapolis, IN 46207-7030**

Questions may be directed to the NCM office at our toll free number, **1-800-274-1883**.  
You may also e-mail us at **[ncm@churchextension.org](mailto:ncm@churchextension.org)**.

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