

The FOUNDATION for EVANGELISM

A Catalyst to Equip Disciples to Share the Good News

2024 Equipping the Local Church Grant Application

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Grant Qualifications

Are you a Wesleyan-tradition* church or related nonprofit headquartered in the United States? Yes No

Are you a registered 501(c)3 organization? Yes No

Will your initiative or project help you:

- experiment with an evangelistic strategy relevant to your community Yes No
- share the Gospel in word and deed, build relationships, and invite others into a discipleship journey with Jesus Yes No

What is the size of your church?

- Less than 100
 100-250
 More than 250

**We define Wesleyan-tradition as based on the ministry movement begun in the 18th century by John and Charles Wesley. Responding to God's pursuit of us, all are invited to the lifelong journey to love God and neighbor with their whole heart.*

Contact information

Applicant Information

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____ Box/Unit/Suite #: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Extn: _____

Email: _____

Title/Position: _____

Grant Beneficiary Information

Organization/Church Name: _____

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Tax ID number: _____

Organization Address: _____ Box/Unit/Suite #: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Organization Phone: _____

Organization Website: _____

Organization's Financial Contact Information

Please provide contact info for your Treasurer, Financial Administrator, or related role.

Financial Contact Name (First and Last) _____

Financial Contact Phone and extn. _____

Financial Contact Email _____

Financial Contact Mailing Address _____

Grant Check Payee (the name on the account) _____

Program/Initiative Information

Name of the program/initiative for which funds are being requested:

Amount you are requesting:

___ \$5,000 (less than 100 in congregation) ___ \$10,000 (100-250 in congregation or multiple churches)

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Organizational Information

1. Describe your church/churches and ministry context. (Limit to 400 words)
2. Tell us about the program/initiative for which you are applying for funds. (Limit 400 words)
3. Jesus states in John 10:10, “The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.” The Gospel proclaims that God provides abundant life to all creation through Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit. How will this project embody and offer this abundant life through addressing physical, social, emotional, and spiritual needs? (In Wesleyan terms, how will you “do good?”) (Limit 500 words)
4. How is your congregation specifically gifted and equipped to share the Gospel in this way and how did you discover this ministry opportunity? How will this initiative meet people where they are and do no harm?
5. How will this program/initiative include invitations for both the existing congregation and those in your community to enter, develop, and deepen their relationship with Jesus and find companions for their faith journey? (In Wesleyan terms, how will this invite those participating in the initiative to respond to and grow in God’s grace?) (Limit 500 words)
6. Describe how pastors and laity will work in partnership and share leadership for this program/initiative? How are the gifts of laity identified and how are they empowered to lead? (Limit 500 words)
7. When this program/initiative is successful how will your congregation and surrounding community be changed? What are the indicators of this change? How will you assess? (Limit 500 words)
8. Unfortunately, we will not be able to fund all worthy applications. If this program/initiative is not selected to receive a grant, will you still try to move forward with it?
 Yes No (If no, please explain. Limit 500 words)

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Budget Information

How does your organization fund your ministry priorities? (Limit 100 words)

Please provide a detailed budget for this program/initiative.

INCOME

List all sources (including your own organization and other sources of grant funding) from which you are requesting or receiving funds for this program/initiative and amounts.

EXPENSES

List all anticipated categories of expenses and amounts for the proposed program/initiative. Include an explanation for each category for which the grant funding will be utilized.

When this program/initiative is successful, how will you pay for it in the future? (Limit 100 words)

Optional: In addition to a completed application, supplemental materials may be attached.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Endorsements (include name and title/position):

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