

**Detroit Annual Conference Board of Ordained Ministry
Theological Studies Grants, Scholarships Funds
And Continuing Education Funds
(Revised September 2010)**

Detroit Annual Conference Seminary Grant Fund

Eligibility:

- A. Students who are preparing to serve in the Detroit Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church as ordained Deacons or Elders upon completion of the education requirements. The student must be a certified candidate for ministry by the District Committee of Ordained Ministry and be attending a school on the list of approved seminaries, which can be provided by the Registrar of the Conference Board of Ordained Ministry.
- B. Students preparing for Certification in a Specialized Ministry of the United Methodist Church. The student must be enrolled with the Registrar for Deacons, Diaconal Ministers, and Certified Persons of the Conference Board of Ordained Ministry, and be enrolled with the UM General Board of Higher Education and Ministry. (Specialized ministries include Christian Education, Music, Evangelism, Youth, Spiritual Formation, Camping and Retreat Ministries).

Amount of Grant: For Deacons and Elders, a \$3,500 maximum grant per year with a \$10,500 maximum grant over a three-year period. For Certification in Specialized Ministry, a maximum of \$500 per class with a total grant not to exceed \$3,500.

Source of funds: Ministerial Education Fund (MEF) through Conference Apportionments paid by local churches.

To Apply: Download application from detroitconference.org under Forms and Documents, Board of Ordained Ministry, apply to Seminary Grants Coordinator of the Board of Ordained Ministry (see below).

The Frank and Mildred Cattell Scholarship Fund

Who is eligible: The income from this trust agreement is disbursed annually (at the end of the calendar year, December 31) to provide scholarship assistance to worthy theological students. The student must be a certified candidate for Deacon or Elder. Each of the District Committees of Ordained Ministry annually receives a scholarship disbursement to be awarded to identified student(s).

Amount of grant: Determined by the interest accrued from the Trust.

The Lucy Mae Mallinson Fund

Who is eligible: Persons preparing for ministry in town and country (rural) settings who are either certified candidates for Deacon or Elder OR Local Pastors who are Course of Study students.

Amount of grant: \$400/year (Number of persons receiving grants determined by the interest accrued by the Mallinson Fund Trust.)

To Apply: Find application on detroitconference.org under Forms and Documents, Board of Ordained Ministry, apply to Seminary Grants Coordinator of the Board of Ordained Ministry (see below). **Annual Application Deadline: September 10.** Grants awarded by year's end.

The Rev. Fred and Edith Matthews Ministerial Scholarship Fund

Who is eligible: An annual \$1,000 scholarship shall be given to a graduate of a United Methodist-related college or university, OR a state of Michigan college or university (excluding colleges and universities affiliated with denominations other than the United Methodist Church) to attend Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary to pursue a basic degree in theological studies in preparation for ordained ministry in the local church. The applicant must be a member of a Detroit Annual Conference United Methodist Church, and intend to serve within the Detroit Annual Conference. A student who is a member of the Dearborn: First United Methodist Church shall be a preferred applicant.

To Apply: Contact the Seminary Grants Coordinator of the Conference Board of Ordained Ministry.

Conference Continuing Education Fund

Who is eligible: All Deacons and Elders, Provisional Clergy, Associate Members, Local Pastors, Diaconal Ministers, and persons certified in specialized ministry. Those persons under appointment and/or those serving in their certified areas of ministry are eligible for funds.

Amount of reimbursement: Maximum \$800 per quadrennium, (i.e., 2009-2012) Persons serving less than full-time are eligible for the full amount.

Source of funds: Ministerial Education Fund (MEF) through Conference Apportionments paid by local churches.

To Apply: Obtain the application form from detroitconference.org; send to your District Superintendent for approval. DS will send it to the Continuing Education Grants Coordinator (see below).

Course of Study Reimbursement Fund

Who is eligible: Licensed Local Pastors who are pursuing Course of Study.

Amount of reimbursement: \$175 max. per completed course, minimum grade "C" or equivalent, 4 courses per year.

To Apply: Contact Registrar for Local Pastors of the Conference Board of Ordained Ministry (see below).

For the quadrennium 2009-2012 contacts are:

- **Continuing Education Grants Coordinator:** Rev. Janet Gaston Petty, 248-356-1020, petty65@msn.com
- **Registrar for Local Pastors:** Rev. Billie Lou Gillespie, 810-686-7480, spiritdancer@chartermi.net
- **Seminary Grants Coordinator:** Rev. Dr. Sang Y. Chun, 734.269.6127, 734.856.6430, or 734.731.9008 (cell), saychun@netzero.com
- DAC Board of Ordained Ministry Administrative Assistant: Nancy Arnold, 800-334-0544, naroldbom@gmail.com
- Conference Website- www.umc-detconference.org for forms and information