

ABCUSA MATTHEW 25 GRANT APPLICATION

A generous donor has given a sum of money through American Baptist Churches USA to be used for programs that address “housing, feeding, education and health with regard to the less fortunate.” A panel will select recipients for grants of up to \$5,000 largely based on the degree to which the funds will be used to directly assist persons in poverty. Ministries must be in relationship with American Baptist Churches USA to be eligible to apply, and only one application per church or ministry will be considered per year. Grant funds may not be used to fund staff positions.

1. General Information:

Organization Name: **BASILEIA MISSIONS INC**

Affiliation with ABCUSA: **“ABCUSA-Validated Ministry” Since 1994**

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2. Please submit with your application a copy of:

- Your mission statement
- A financial statement FOR THIS MINISTRY. This can be a budget or projected budget, and should not exceed 2 pages. Church budgets are not acceptable.

3. How do you plan to use the requested funds? How will the funds specifically assist individuals battling poverty and its effects? (Please submit on separate sheet. Maximum of one page.)

4. Total cost of the project: **\$20,000** (TWENTY THOUSAND)

5. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant: **\$5,000** (FIVE THOUSAND)

6. Your other funding source(s): **BASILEIA Partners** (churches, individuals) & **“Business As Mission”** Christian resource marketing, through **BASILEIA DREAM CENTER** (consistent with 1 Thessalonians 4:11-12 concerning the need for self-support in ministry).

I certify that all the information submitted with this application is true and correct, and that we will use any granted funds as described. We will supply a 1-page report on the use of the funds and a photo within six months of receipt of the grant.

(Signed) *J. Railey Gompah*

Date: **February 28, 2014**

Printed Name/Title: **J. RAILEY GOMPAH** – President & Executive Minister, BASILEIA MISSIONS INC

Please note:

- Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Recipients agree to share their stories via the ABCUSA website.
- Application deadline is March 1 for grants distributed on April 15; Sept. 1 for grants distributed on Oct. 15
- Completed applications should be sent via email to beth.fogg@abc-usa.org. Only electronic submissions will be accepted.





BASILEIA DREAM CENTER



THE CENTER FOR COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT & LIFE TRANSFORMATION

“Where Burdens Are Lifted And Dreams Come True”

GOD AT WORK

Through His Kingdom-Focused People

SAVING LIVES

The TRADITION: Since 1948, American Baptists have directly helped resettle over 100,000 uprooted people in the United States from around the world. Through the Direct Human Services Office of American Baptist Home Mission Societies, our American Baptist Churches are blessing and being blessed as troubled and broken lives are touched and transformed through the power of the Holy Spirit. As an “ABCUSA-Validated Ministry” since the mid-1990s, our own BASILEIA MISIONS has partnered with American Baptists from near and far to impact the lives of uprooted Africans in the United States.

The CHALLENGE: Today, the estimated 3 million Continental Africans in the United States originate from countries that have not known peace in decades. Children in those nations now face a bleak future. Sadly, Continental Africans in America have yet to seriously consider the implications of Mark 5:19 and Luke 12:48 with regard to extending a helping hand to their own people (flesh and blood) back in the homeland. And now countless numbers of second/third-generation African children in America are losing their lives almost daily to gang warfare and other unproductive practices. THIS MUST BREAK THE HEART OF GOD!

NORTH CAROLINA --- where BASILEIA MISSIONS is based and working since 2011---has over 614,000 recent immigrations as of 2006, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. Continental Africans account for about 5.1 percent of that number (nearly 31,000 African immigrants). They too face similar challenges as do other uprooted Africans across America. Every now and then, we at **BASILEIA DREAM CENTER** (Youngsville, NC) hear of unfortunate things happening to local African children and their families...that are beyond our control to prevent or address in any meaningful way.

The VISION: Given the fact that “Where there is no vision, the people perish” (Proverbs 29:18, KJV), we decided to build on our 31-year ministry experience among African immigrants in America by taking a radical step of faith to provide **Relevant Training** and link **Resources and Needs**, as a replicable model for creatively discovering and effectively addressing the roots of human problems faced by Continental Africans in the United States. The approach is values-driven and results-oriented, and will unfold as follows:

- **Equip BASILEIA DREAM CENTER** (Youngsville, NC) to accommodate from 35-40 **Intensive Training Participants** at a given time (days to weeks or longer).
- **Recruit Potential Positive Change Agents** from within African immigrant communities (beginning with the estimated 31,000 Continental Africans in North Carolina)...a representative team that will return to make an impact on others.
- **Mobilize Financial and Material Support** from American Baptist Churches as a way of reducing cost to Participants and providing light refreshments and other necessities during training.
- **Securing Help from Volunteer Project Developers** --- to develop self-help project grant proposals and assist with fundraising for successful Trainees returning home to launch faith-based community outreach projects.
- **Extend Similar Training Opportunities to African Communities in the USA** --- with focus on workshops and seminars in metropolitan centers with significant numbers of African immigrants.
- **Form Partnership with Christian Community Credit Union** (or any financial institution recommended by American Baptists) so as to empower our graduates in their self-help projects, with a ripple effect as the Holy Spirit touches their lives to impact others.
- **Lay the Foundation for BASILEIA TRAINING INSTITUTE (BTI)** --- a school of vocational missions to be developed on our one-acre property in rural Youngsville, North Carolina, for more advanced results-oriented training.

COUNTING THE COST: For 2014 training and related activities, we have budgeted **\$20,000** (to be raised from BASILEIA Partners including individuals, churches, faith-based corporations, and our own Online Christian Resource distributing enterprise now being developed.). We are requesting **\$5,000** from **MATTHEW 25 GRANT**. Thanks for your partnership and blessings!