

ABCUSA MATTHEW 25 GRANT APPLICATION - 2018



A generous donor has given a sum of money through American Baptist Churches USA Office of the General Secretary, 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. Awards will be granted only to ministries of an American Baptist church in good standing with their Region. This is a change from previous grant cycles. We will no longer award grants to organizations affiliated with churches such as a cooperative group that includes non-ABC churches; applications must be submitted by an ABC church for work being done directly by that church.

Only one application per church will be considered within a 24-month period.

Grant funds may not be used to fund staff positions, rainy day funds, church benevolent funds, regular ongoing church operating expenses (i.e. utilities, insurance), repairs, or for capital improvements or repairs to facilities. Grant awards will be sent to the ABC church that is applying for the grant; checks will not be made payable to an individual or ministry.

Tab through the document to fill in all the fields below.

1. Applicant Information

Name of Church: Growing Healthy Churches in partnership with When I Grow Up
Mailing Address: 3750 Griffith Avenue, Clovis CA 93619
Phone: 559.305.4313 Federal Tax ID#: 51-0657890
Name of Region: Growing Healthy Churches, ABC West
Contact person (person completing this form): Rev. Gilbert Foster
Email of contact person: gilbert@whenigrowup-global.com

Does your church contribute to United Mission? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Have you previously been awarded an ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If so, have you submitted your report on the use of the funds? ☒ Yes ☐ No

2. What ministry or group will use these funds?

When I Grow Up working with Esperanza para Guatemala, Guatemala City.

3. Specifically, how do you plan to use the requested funds?

Please include a very brief and specific statement on how the money will be spent. For example: to purchase school supplies for 100 elementary school children; to provide summer camp scholarships for 10 children from low-income families; purchase diapers and wipes for single mothers. You are encouraged to attach a longer description (no more than one page) of the ministry or project.

The funds will be used to 1) Provide educational tutoring assistance to 250 kids living in Zone 18, Guatemala City, 2) Assist 60 children (150 people total) who lost their school due to the recent volcanic eruptions in Guatemala and now being helped by Esperanza para Guatemala.

4. How will the funds assist individuals battling poverty and its effects? What impact do you hope to make on the target group or community?

The funds will provide the children of Zone 18 who live in extreme poverty and with the daily threat of gang violence the opportunity to be 1) daily in a safe and caring environment, 2) be helped in their education to enable them to graduate school and open opportunities for good employment, 3) it will enable the children affected by the volcano to have a daily school and the support of teachers and tutors to get through the drama of the volcano.

5. Total cost of the project: \$25,000

6. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant: \$5,000

7. List other funding source(s): When I Grow Up in partnership with South Valley Community Church, Lemoore; Redeemer's Church Reedley CA (both GHC member churches).
8. Please submit along 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.

By submitting this application on behalf of (church name) Growing Healthy Churches/When I Grow Up, I certify that all the information submitted with this application is true and correct. We agree to use and/or disburse any grant funds awarded for the sole purpose as described within this application. We will supply a 1-page report on the use of the funds and a photo/photos within six months of receipt of the grant.

Application submitted by (name of person): Rev. Gilbert Foster (your name typed here is your electronic signature)
Date: July 25, 2018

Please note:

- Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Recipients agree to share their stories via the ABCUSA website.
- Application deadline September 1. Grants will be distributed no later than October 15.
- Only electronic submissions of completed applications and supporting documents will be accepted. Completed applications should be sent via email to Tina.Turner@abc-usa.org.
- Please review the instructions that follow and initial at the bottom to indicate you have read this information.

Instructions and information for completing the 2018 ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant application

1. General information

Awards will be granted only to ministries of an American Baptist church in good standing with their Region. This is a change from previous grant cycles. We will no longer award grants to organizations affiliated with churches such as a cooperative group that include non-ABC churches; applications must be submitted by an ABC church in good standing.

When determining Grants awards, the following criteria will be considered: whether the church is in good standing within the region; whether the church contributes to United Mission; number of and amounts of previous Matthew 25 Grants received; sustainability of ministry beyond Matthew 25 Grant funding; description of ministry and needs addressed by funding; and the budget submitted along with this application.

Checks will be made payable to the church. Checks will not be made to an individual or ministry.

3. Specifically, how do you plan to use the requested funds?

Briefly describe what will be purchased with the grant funds if awarded. Be specific with the expected use of these funds. This should be a very short and specific statement on where the money will be spent, do not include a lengthy narrative of the ministry project.

You are encouraged to provide a longer description of the ministry but this additional information must be limited to no more than one page in length and submitted as an attachment.

Please note that grant funds may not be used to fund staff positions and salaries, for capital improvements to church facilities, to pay for regular ongoing church operating expenses (i.e. utilities, insurance) or repairs, or to maintain a "Rainy Day fund" or church benevolent fund.

4. How will the funds assist individuals battling poverty and its effects?

Describe how the Matthew 25 grant funds will benefit those less fortunate. What effect and impact do you hope to have on individuals battling poverty or the community you are hoping to serve?

5. Total cost of the project

List the total amount of this project or ministry need.

6. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant.

One application per church will be considered per 24 month period. The maximum amount awarded is \$5,000. If you have previously been a Matthew 25 grant recipient, you must have submitted a follow-up report in order to be eligible to reapply.

7. Your other funding source(s).

List all other sources providing funding for this ministry.

8. Please submit with your application a copy of:

- Your mission statement

Include as an attachment a copy of the church or ministry's mission statement.

- A financial statement for this ministry

This budget or projected budget must include itemized expenses and income for the ministry applying for the Matthew 25 grant funding. Church budgets are not acceptable.

Other information and requirements

By submitting an application,

- You certify that all information submitted is true and correct;
- You agree to use and/or disburse any awarded grant funds for the sole purpose as described within this application;
- You agree to supply a one page report on the use of funds and a photo/photos within six months of receipt of the grant;
- You give ABCUSA permission to share your story via the ABCUSA website or newsletter;
- You give ABCUSA permission to use the photograph(s) submitted for printing and/or posting.

I have reviewed the instructions provided. (initial here) GF

Your typed name and initials are your electronic signatures on this document.

Growing Healthy Churches with When I Grow Up
Matthew 25 Grant Application July 2018
Description of ministry program seeking funding.

In June 2018 a violent volcano destroyed a town of 8,000 people in Guatemala – just outside of Guatemala City. 1,400 people were buried alive.

Esperanza para Guatemala (a global partner NGO of When I Grow Up supported by When I Grow Up and several GHC churches) were able to be on the front line to bring immediate help.

That help involved clean drinking water; meals for people who survived, counseling and support and the preparing of a shelter to house displaced families.

Having just returned from Guatemala and seen what is happening first hand, Esperanza para Guatemala have maintained an ongoing operational role in continuing to provide support and help to the people displaced.

They now run a shelter in the nearby city of Escuintla for 150 people and have created a ‘tent’ school for the 60 children living in the shelter. They are also working with the local school of 470 bringing training and support and these two communities now merged together through this disaster.

They have begun construction of a temporary school classrooms and a daily feeding program. Additionally they are providing educational training for the teachers who are now teaching the displaced children.

These families (150 people) will remain at this shelter indefinitely as the Guatemala authorities are not allowing them back to their community nor offering them an alternative location.

Esperanza para Guatemala have become the sole helpers to them.

This involves – counseling, care, education, feeding program, supplies and helping them find new jobs etc.

We are pleased to stand with Esperanza para Guatemala at this time to see these desperate families helped in the name of Christ.



WHEN I GROW UP

EMPOWERING CHILDREN IN EXTREME POVERTY

Mission Statement: *We exist to ensure that no child in the world needs to live in extreme poverty.*

Value Statement: *In all we do, we hope we are: bringing a voice to the voiceless.
Making their story, our story.
Being true to the God we follow.
Helping the shalom of the Kingdom of God break through.
Being the Gospel.*

Budget for helping Esperanza para Guatemala serve the displaced residents from recent volcano in Guatemala, August 2018 for 4 more months.

Costs:

One –off:

Temporary tent for schooling	\$3,000
Building of new classrooms within existing school	\$10,000
Additional toilets and showers for displaced families	\$8,000

Total of one-off costs (already funded) **\$21,000**

New Monthly costs to help with volcano victims:

Water	\$400 per two weeks. 1,100 liters of water to 210 children
Food	\$485 per month for families in shelter (2 meals per day)
Field worker	\$375 per month for Esperanza field worker serving the shelter kids.

Total new monthly costs = \$1,260

Grant request of \$5,000 will help Esperanza serve the volcano families for 4 months.