ABCUSA MATTHEW 25 GRANT APPLICATION - 2017

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. Because this change was made following the Fall 2016 cycle, recipients of a Spring 2016 grant are eligible to apply.

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 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.

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1.	. Applicant Information	
	Name of Church: Memorial Baptist Church	
	Mailing Address: 97 S. Pleasant Street, Middlebury V	T 05753
	Phone: 802-388-7472 Fede	eral Tax ID#: 22-2520942
	Name of Region: VT NH	
	Contact person (person completing this form): Rev. S	Stephanie Allen
	Email of contact person: stephaniesueallen15@gmai	I.com
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	Does your church contribute to United Mission?	es
	Have you previously been awarded an ABCUSA Mat	thew 25 Grant? □Yes ⊠No
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2.	. What ministry or group will use these funds?	
	Hope Prison Ministry	
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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.

To hand-deliver a care package of basic supplies (i.e. groceries, toiletries) to 100 of Hope Prison Ministry's formerly incarcerated clients when they are released from prison.

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?

Hope Prison Ministry provides a broad range of programs to clients who are incarcerated, and limited services to formerly incarcerated clients after they have been released. Formerly incarcerated people in South Africa struggle to provide for their basic needs, and are often under pressure to provide for other family members as well. At the same time, their employment prospects are grim due to South Africa's poor economy (~40% unemployment)

and their criminal record. Many turn back to substance abuse and crime due to the poisonous combination of stress, physical lack, and hopelessness.

While we cannot hope to solve this enormous problem, providing even a small amount of practical assistance with food and toiletries will be greatly appreciated by our clients and relieve some of the immense pressure they face from themselves, their families and their communities. Some of this support will be in the form of a care package that we deliver to their homes after their release. The rest of the money will be spent through a "Special Needs Fund" where we can provide additional support on a case-by-case basis (i.e. clothing, transportation to a job before the first paycheck is received)

Perhaps more importantly, it gives our team the opportunity to make a stronger connection with clients after release and provide ongoing mentoring and emotional and spiritual support as they seek to live out their new life in Christ. We have a network of support groups available for ex-prisoners, but we want to make a personal connection. The care package is essentially our introduction to the ex-prisoner's family. They know we have been walking a road with their loved one, but when we show up with a gift for them they will see God's love in action.

- 5. Total cost of the project: \$5000
- 6. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant: \$5000
- 7. List other funding source(s):

This is a new project -- we currently do not have any budget to provide for the physical needs of our clients. Hope Prison Ministry (both in South Africa and its U.S. affiliate) commit to sourcing the funds to cover staff and volunteer costs for implementing the project -- ministering to clients in correctional centres, driving to their houses to deliver supplies, and running follow-up support groups. They are currently applying for funding from two South African charitable foundations for additional staff to support and grow this project.

- 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) Memorial Baptist Church, 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. Stephanie Allen (your name typed here is your electronic signature)

Date: August 17th 2017

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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.



Matthew 25 Grant: Memorial Baptist Church – Hope Prison Ministry Application

Project Budget -- \$5000

\$3000: Groceries and toiletries (\$30 per pack)

\$800: Travel/delivery costs (\$8 per pack) – We are not allowed to distribute at the prison itself and we value the opportunity to visit the ex-prisoners in their home environment.

\$1200: Special Needs fund to provide additional support on a case-by-case basis (i.e. clothing, transportation to a job before the first paycheck is received)

Note: Hope Prison Ministry's 2016 audited financial statements are attached.

Hope Prison Ministry Background:

Hope Prison Ministry is a South African non-profit organisation founded in 1991. Hope Prison Ministry is led by founders and Executive Directors Jonathan and Jenny Clayton, both South African. Jonathan is himself an ex-prisoner. He and Jenny are both ordained as ministers by the Baptist Union of South Africa and serve as National Chaplains for the denomination.

Hope Prison Ministry is Christian and interdenominational, comprising of volunteers from many church backgrounds and serving clients of all faiths. We serve five different client groups: incarcerated people, formerly incarcerated people, families of incarcerated people, victims of crime, and correctional officers.

Hope Prison Ministry's Mission:

To bring the hope we have through Jesus Christ to incarcerated people and all those affected by their crimes, in order to: heal past hurts, reconcile broken relationships, and empower them to uplift themselves, their families, and their communities.

Connection with Memorial Baptist Church:

Memorial Baptist Church has supported its former members Anne and Andrew May as missionaries to South Africa since 2010. Anne and Andrew started volunteering with Hope Prison Ministry in 2008 and joined full-time as Operations Directors in 2014.

Hope Prison Ministry (Non-profit Company)
(Registration number 2005/009524/08)
Trading as Hope Prison Ministry
Annual Financial Statements
for the year ended 29 February 2016

Sprigg Abbott Incorporated Chartered Accountants (SA) Registered Auditors Issued 24 November 2016

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Directors' Responsibilities and Approval

The directors are required by the Companies Act 71 of 2008, to maintain adequate accounting records and are responsible for the content and integrity of the annual financial statements and related financial information included in this report. It is their responsibility to ensure that the annual financial statements fairly present the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and the results of its operations and cash flows for the period then ended, in conformity with the basis of accounting as described in note 1 to the annual financial statements. The external auditor's is engaged to express an independent opinion on the annual financial statements.

The annual financial statements are prepared in accordance with the basis of accounting as described in note 1 to the annual financial statements and are based upon appropriate accounting policies consistently applied and supported by reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates.

The directors acknowledge that they are ultimately responsible for the system of internal financial control established by the company and place considerable importance on maintaining a strong control environment. To enable the directors to meet these responsibilities, the board sets standards for internal control aimed at reducing the risk of error or loss in a cost effective manner. The standards include the proper delegation of responsibilities within a clearly defined framework, effective accounting procedures and adequate segregation of duties to ensure an acceptable level of risk. These controls are monitored throughout the company and all employees are required to maintain the highest ethical standards in ensuring the company's business is conducted in a manner that in all reasonable circumstances is above reproach. The focus of risk management in the company is on identifying, assessing, managing and monitoring all known forms of risk across the company. While operating risk cannot be fully eliminated, the company endeavours to minimise it by ensuring that appropriate infrastructure, controls, systems and ethical behaviour are applied and managed within predetermined procedures and constraints.

The directors are of the opinion, based on the information and explanations given by management, that the system of internal control provides reasonable assurance that the financial records may be relied on for the preparation of the annual financial statements. However, any system of internal financial control can provide only reasonable, and not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss.

The directors have reviewed the company's cash flow forecast for the year to 28 February 2017 and, in the light of this review and the current financial position, they are satisfied that the company has or has access to adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

The external auditors are responsible for independently auditing and reporting on the company's Annual Financial Statements. The Annual Financial Statements have been examined by the company's external auditors and their report is presented on page 3.

The annual financial statements set out on pages 5 to 13, were approved by all members on 24 November 2016 and have been signed by them or on their behalf by:

Director

SPRIGG ABBOTT INCORPORATED

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS (SA) REGISTERED AUDITORS

Independent Auditor's Report

To the members of Hope Prison Ministry (Non-profit Company)

We have audited the annual financial statements of Hope Prison Ministry (Non-profit Company), which comprise the statement of financial position as at 29 February 2016, and the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in funds and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes, and the directors' report, as set out on pages 5 to 12.

Directors' Responsibility for the Annual Financial Statements

The company's directors are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these annual financial statements in accordance with the basis of accounting as described in note 1 to the annual financial statements, and requirements of the Companies Act 71 of 2008, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of annual financial statements that are free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these annual financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the annual financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the annual financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the annual financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the annual financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the annual financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

In common with similar organisations, it is not feasible for the company to institute accounting controls over cash collections from donations prior to initial entry of the collections in the accounting records. Accordingly, it was impractible for us to extend our examination beyond the receipts actually recorded.

Furthermore, we were unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding some payments made and accordingly cannot confirm the occurance, completeness, accuracy, validity or correct disclosure of expenditure incurred.

Qualified Opinion

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matters described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the annual financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Hope Prison Ministry (Non-profit Company) as at 29 February 2016, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the basis of accounting as described in note 1 to the annual financial statements, and the requirements of the Companies Act 71 of 2008.

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Other matter

Without qualifying our opinion, we draw attention to the fact that supplementary information set out on page 13 does not form part of the annual financial statements and is presented as additional information. We have not audited this information and accordingly do not express an opinion thereon.

Sprigg About Incorporated

Sprigg Abbott Incorporated Director: Marike Mulder Chartered Accountant (S.A.) Registered Auditor 24 November 2016 Milnerton

Hope Prison Ministry (Non-profit Company)

(Registration number 2005/009524/08)
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Directors' Report

The directors have submit their report for the year ended 29 February 2016.

1. Nature of business

The ministry is a non-profit organisation based in Cape Town that reaches out to those in the care of the Department of Correctional Services, their families and those influenced by them.

The operating results and state of affairs of the company are fully set out in the attached annual financial statements and do not in our opinion require any further comment.

2. Vision

The rehabilitation of prisoners, reduction in crime and restoration of justice.

3. Ethos

Remembering those in prison as bound with them, motivated by the love of Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

4. Going concern

The Board is confident that Ministry is a going concern and is able to fulfill all its obligations to its funders and clients.

5. Events after the reporting period

The directors are not aware of any material event which occurred after the reporting date and up to the date of this report.

Resigned 21 May 2015 Appointed 21 May 2015

6. Directors

The directors in office at the date of this report are as follows: Director

Directors

Mr A Strydom Chairperson
Mr J Davidge Vice Chairperson
Ms J Nupen Secretary

Ms J Nupen Secretary
Mr JB Gardner Treasurer
Ms K Stodel Treasurer

Rev J Basson Rev JJ Clayton Rev JP Clayton Rev C Jacobs Mr J O'Ryan

7. Auditors

Sprigg Abbott Incorporated will continue in office in accordance with section 90(6) of the Companies Act 2008.

Statement of Financial Position as at 29 February 2016

Figures in Rand	Note(s)	2016	2015
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	3	551 689	143 818
Total Assets	_	551 689	143 818
Funds and Liabilities			
Funds			
Designated Funds	7	275 313	90 599
Accumulated surplus/(deficit)		276 376	53 219
	_	551 689	143 818
Total Equity and Liabilities	_	551 689	143 818

Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

Figures in Rand	Note(s)	2016	2015
Income		987 124	814 777
Operating expenses		(791 092)	(694 495)
Operating surplus		196 032	120 282
Investment revenue		2 149	1 759
Surplus for the year	-	198 181	122 041
Other comprehensive income		-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year		198 181	122 041

Statement of Changes in Funds

Figures in Rand	Designated funds	Accumulated surplus	Total Funds
Balance at 01 March 2014	231 474	(68 822)	162 652
Net Surplus for the year Designated funds received Designated funds expensed	806 174 (947 049)	122 041 - -	122 041 806 174 (947 049)
Total changes	(140 875)	122 041	(18 834)
Balance at 01 March 2015	90 599	53 219	143 818
Net Surplus for the year Designated funds received Designated funds expended	1 659 771 (1 450 081)	198 181 - -	198 181 1 659 771 (1 450 081)
Total changes	209 690	198 181	407 871
Transfer between reserves	(24 976)	24 976	
	(24 976)	24 976	_
Balance at 29 February 2016	275 313	276 376	551 689

Statement of Cash Flows

Figures in Rand	Note(s)	2016	2015
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations Interest income		196 032 2 149	120 282 1 759
Net cash from operating activities		198 181	122 041
Cash flows from investing activities			
Designated funds increase/(decrease)	7 _	209 690	(140 875)
Total cash movement for the year Cash at the beginning of the year		407 871 143 818	(18 834) 162 652
Total cash at end of the year	3	551 689	143 818

Hope Prison Ministry (Non-profit Company)

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ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1. Presentation of annual financial statements

The annual financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies as set out below. The annual financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis. They are presented in South African Rands.

These accounting policies are consistent with the previous period.

1.1 Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are tangible items that:

- are held for use in the production or supply of goods or services, for rental to others or for administrative purposes; and
- are expected to be used during more than one period.

Property, plant and equipment is carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Costs include costs incurred initially to acquire or construct an item of property, plant and equipment and costs incurred subsequently to add to, replace part of, or service it. If a replacement cost is recognised in the carrying amount of an item of property, plant and equipment, the carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised.

Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method to write down the cost, less estimated residual value over the useful life of the property, plant and equipment, which is as follows:

The useful lives of items of property, plant and equipment have been assessed as follows:

Computers and printers4 yearsMotor vehicles5 yearsPublic address system4 yearsTelephones4 years

The residual value, depreciation method and useful life of each asset are reviewed at each year end if there are indicators present that there has been a significant change from the previous estimate.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognised in profit or loss in the period.

1.2 Financial instruments

Financial instruments at amortised cost

Financial instruments carried on the statement of financial position include trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents and trade and other payables. The particular recognition methods adopted are disclosed as follows.

Cash and cash equivalents are recognised at fair value.

Trade and other receivables are measured initially at fair value and subsequently at amortised cost.

Trade and other payables are measured initially at fair value and subsequently at amortised cost.

1.3 Revenue

Donations and fundraising income are recognised when received.

All receipts are recorded in the income statement on the date of actual receipt, other than designated funds which are taken directly to equity.

Interest is recognised, in profit or loss, using the effective interest rate method.

1.4 Designated funds

Designated funds received are taken directly to equity and reflected as expended on the Statement of changes in equity once expenses relating to designated funds have been incurred.

Notes to the Annual Financial Statements

Figures in Rand	2016	2015

2. Property, plant and equipment

		2016		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	2015	
	Cost	Accumulated depreciation and impairments	Carrying value	Cost	Accumulated depreciation and impairments	Carrying value
Computer Equipment	13 334	(13 334)	-	13 334	(13 334)	-
Motor vehicles	23 333	(23 333)		23 333	(23 333)	-
Public Address System	5 022	(5 022)	-	5 022	(5 022)	-
Telephones	5 907	(5 907)	-	5 907	(5 907)	-
Total	47 596	(47 596)	-	47 596	(47 596)	-

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of:

Cash on hand Bank balances	2 044 549 645	5 596 138 222
	551 689	143 818
Cash held in respect of Designated Funds	275 313	90 599
4. Investment revenue		
Interest received	2 149	1 759

Taxation

The company is exempt from tax in terms of section 10(1) CN, of the Income Tax Act of South Africa, 1962.

Cash generated from operations

Interest received	(2 149)	(1 759)
	196 032	120 282

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Notes to the Annual Financial Statements

Designated funds

Funds	Opening	Income	Expenses	Transfer to	Closing
	balance			Ministry	balance
Adopt A Cell	1 892	1 850	(1 150)	(1 802)	790
After Care	(327)	29 675	(18 540)	1	10 809
Ambassador	26 030	1 498	(27 528)	-	-
Baptist Chaplaincy	-	4 650	(860)	(3 790)	-
Cup of Hope	(1 259)	1 830	(571)	-	-
Craig Manie Support	722	-	-	(722)	-
Dolly Mgogi Support	2 961	-	(2 621)	(340)	-
Education	(4 745)	-	=	4 745	-
Equipment	3 409	-	-	(3 409)	-
Ester Jacobs Support	1	-	-	(1)	-
Ex Prisoners Medium B Support	(240)	-	-	240	-
Gail Rademeyer Support	2 544	450	(2 360)	(634)	-
Hands of Hope	55 422	523 007	(464 658)	(1)	113 770
JJ Clayton Support	(55 538)	502 726	(456 975)	9 787	-
JJ Clayton PA Support	3 179	-	(4 529)	1 350	-
John Palmer Support	(409)	-	-	409	-
Joybell September Support	3 889	13 260	(17 150)	1	-
K & S Workers'Support	13 000	-	(13 000)	-	-
Hope for Kids	-	170 930	(28 160)	-	142 770
Monica Myeni	4 182	10 422	(14 604)	•	-
Pam Stander Support	1 001	-	-	(1 001)	-
Restorative Justice	12 690	136 845	(143 356)	995	7 174
Ricardo Sloster	1 104	73 700	(74 995)	191	-
RJ Women Family Week	(2 245)	-	-	2 245	-
Thanksgiving	698	2 826	(698)	(2 826)	-
Theological Education by Extension	8 726	-	(3 685)	(5 041)	-
Training and Development	(3 967)	-	-	3 967	-
Willem Boonzaaier Support	4 283	11 467	(15 749)	(1)	-
Support Staff	-	118 013	(103 696)	(14 317)	-
Women's Ministry	101	1 200	(354)	(947)	-
Sundries	<u>13 495</u>	<u>55 422</u>	(54 842)	<u>(14 075</u>)	_
	90 599	<u> 1 659 771</u>	(1 450 081)	(24 976)	275 313

The Board resolved to streamline the various funds within the Ministry in order to increase the potential for raising donations. Designated Funds with limited activity have been transferred to the general Ministry Funds and budgets held within the Ministry will ensure that these funds are spent accordingly to the original donor's designation.

Statement of Financial Performance

Figures in Rand	Note(s)	2016	2015
Income			
Donations		987 124	814 777
Interest received		2 149	1 759
	_	989 273	816 536
Operating expenses			
Bank charges		(5 593)	(6 492)
Catering		(539)	(966)
DCS staff costs		(1 250)	(150)
Directors conferences		(6 485)	(2 305)
Directors' remuneration		(464 800)	(454 800)
Insurance		(29 782)	(27 013)
Ministry travel		(17 912)	(11 920)
Office supplies		(5 334)	(3 431)
Photocopier		(34 668)	(29 562)
Postage		-	(411)
Printing and stationery		(923)	(745)
Repairs and maintenance		(15 653)	(12 134)
Staff cost		(156 133)	(91 721)
Subscriptions		(2 434)	(424)
Sundries		235	(6 759)
Telephone and fax		(24 576)	(20 270)
Westlake Office		(25 245)	(25 392)
		(791 092)	(694 495)
Surplus for the year	_	198 181	122 041