

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 NEXTGEN CHURCH
Affiliation with ABCUSA _____
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Phone (609) 448-6900 Federal Tax ID# 263472651000
Contact person REV. DR. MIA CHANG email MIA@NEXTGENMINISTRY.NET

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 \$8,200.00

5. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant \$4,000.00

6. Your other funding source(s) Trenton Fire Department, Shoprite, Wegmans, and the congregation of NextGen

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) Lola Akiwowo Date 8/31/2015

Printed Name/Title REV. DR. LOLA AKIWOWO

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 Tina.Turner@abc-usa.org. Only electronic submissions will be accepted.



MATTHEW25 GRANT STATEMENT OF NEED

NextGen Church located at Windsor/Princeton Junction, New Jersey was founded in 2008. We are compelled to respond to the dire needs of our urban neighbors. The alarming statistics of high school drop outs, poverty, broken families, and gang violence are just a few of the many issues that plague the city of Trenton. The school is a priority school, which means that student achievement is in the bottom 5% of all New Jersey schools. As a priority school, the majority of students at the school have failed the state test for the past five years.

NextGen Church is very pleased to submit a grant application request of our Saturday Tutoring program and monthly Sunday Worship service at Grant Elementary school in Trenton, New Jersey. "NextGen-at-Grant" tutoring program helps students with Math, Reading, Writing, and enrichment activities. Majority of these students are from low income households and are performing well below grade levels and needed one-on-one or small group attention. Through our interactions with the students, we continue to discover that majority of the students are two or three grades behind in their academic levels. Working closely with the teachers, administrators and parents, our Saturday program is designed to provide a safe and positive learning environment for students.

We have an average of 22 students attending the program every Saturday morning last year. This year, we anticipate this number to grow to 35 students, due to the influx of new students to the school. The program is run on voluntary basis, as our church members serve the children with love and dedication. As our involvement with the Grant Elementary school continues to grow, we recognize other needs that continue to affect their educational aspiration. These include: health care for children, school staff morale, and parent involvement. This past year, we were able to meet these needs through a Health Fair workshop, distribution of classroom resources to teachers, staff breakfasts, and PTA support.

Through the Saturday Tutoring program, we saw the need to expand our services by a new initiative. On Sunday, February 22, 2015, we started a monthly Sunday worship service. The Clinton Christian Community Church allows NextGen to minister to the children and their families followed by a Fellowship dinner. This will provide the opportunity to get to know the family on a deeper level. It is our prayer that this new beginning will eventually lead to a weekly Worship service and Bible study.

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NEXTGEN AT GRANT	
SATURDAY YOUTH PROGRAM AND SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE	
BUDGET DETAILS	
	Fiscal Year 2016
	35 Students
Teaching Materials for Saturday Tutorial	\$ 2,000.00
Breakfast & Snacks on Saturday for students	3,000
Classroom supplies for teachers	500
Fellowship Meal after service (every last Sunday of the month for 20 people)	2,400
Career Fair for students	100
Health Fair	200
Total Expenses	\$ 8,200.00