

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 CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Affiliation with ABCUSA ABCUSA CHURCH
Address 1463 SHIELDS
YOUNGSTOWN, OH. 44511
Phone 330-792-7873 Federal Tax ID# 34-0718365
Contact person JIM WALCOTT email midunes3@windstream.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 \$500.00

5. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant \$500.00

6. Your other funding source(s) DONATIONS FROM CONGREGATION

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) [Signature] Date 2/27/15

Printed Name/Title JIM WALCOTT, PASTOR

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.



February 27, 2015

Dear Friends,

At one time, Youngstown, Ohio was a thriving steel industrial area. Two of the region's largest industries were Youngstown Sheet and Tube, as well as Republic Steel. Youngstown Sheet and Tube alone employed 10,000 people. However on September 9, 1977 (Black Monday) everything changed. The steel mills shut down and unemployment ran rampant. People moved to locations that could offer them an income. Those who stayed were left with minimal jobs and depleted resources pertaining to life. The area has never recovered and this began thirty-eight years ago.

Today, unemployment stands at 10% compared to the nation's 6 %. Job growth is .54 % with the nation's being 1.18%. Finally, household income is \$24,412 in Youngstown and surrounding areas. The nationwide figure is \$53,046.

As a church of committed Christians, we cannot sit back and hide from these discouraging numbers. Behind every number is a life, a face, and a human being. Thus, we need to respond, just as Jesus would respond. We need to be the voice, feet and hands of our Savior and Lord. Simply put, we want to "Be Jesus" to our community friends.

Our request for \$500.00 would be used for people who list their address as "living under the bridge" in Youngstown. To date, one hundred fifty of our friends share this same address.

The Lord bless you in this decision you are making on Jesus' behalf. Thank you for your time, prayers and consideration.

Fellow Sojourners,

The Church Family of Calvary

Mission Statement: To be the voice, hands and feet of Jesus to friends in the community.

The Use of the Grant -

The use of the requested funds will be to assist friends in the Youngstown area with simple personal needs. We plan to distribute food and paper products. We plan to share hygiene kits comprised of soap, comb, tooth brush, and tooth paste. We plan to respond to the request for clothes. And we plan to organize a community used sleeping bag drive to address the bedding needs of our friends.

There is a friend of Calvary Baptist who feels called to this same type of ministry as an individual. He and friends distribute items twice a month. Our goal is to distribute the items mentioned above on the off dates he is distributing. This would create a continuity between both ministries.

Please be assured the entire funds will be used for this purpose and this purpose only. If there are any additional costs, they will covered by the generosity of the Calvary Church Family.

The Financial Statement for this Ministry –

INCOME

\$500.00

EXPENSES

\$500.00