



Circuit Rider Dispatch



Holston Conference of the United Methodist Church Foundation, Inc.

NEW GRANT DEADLINE FOR FALL

The Holston Conference Foundation stewards nearly 200 special purpose endowments, scholarships and program grants established by individuals, families, and friends that support specific ministries, churches, and institutions.

Grant Application Deadline is October 15, 2015.

These funds are governed by documents put in place by generous donors and overseen by a grant committee made up of members of the Foundation's Board of Directors and other volunteers who carefully review applications and evaluate priorities established by the donor.

The majority of this round of grants is funded from the Margaret Grizzell Loving Trust.

Ms. Loving of Bristol, Tennessee, died in 1995 and established this Trust with the Holston Conference Foundation as a permanent fund to support programming for senior citizens in the Holston Conference of the United Methodist Church. The Foundation's Grant Committee oversees the stewardship and distribution of funds from the Loving Trust. Mrs. Loving's generosity and concern for senior citizens has set a marvelous example of Christian philanthropy, which will benefit others in perpetuity. Senior grants are to be geared toward Holston Conference associated churches and to provide educational, recreational, and spiritual programming for older adults. The Trust's guidelines state that no part of the grant funds should be used for the maintenance, operation, or construction of physical facilities. Seed money for new projects is encouraged. Matching funds/challenge grants are also encouraged. Ongoing support and general operating support for existing programs are discouraged. The committee also frowns on travel that is focused on membership entertainment. Remember the focus on "seniors" can mean they are the recipients or the providers of the service. (Hint: Be inclusive to others outside of your regular seniors meeting, group, membership, etc....grants range from \$500-\$2,500 depending on project scope.)



Applications can be found by clicking [here](#). Please print and return to: Holston Conference Foundation
P.O. Box 900
Alcoa, TN 37701

The majority of the Foundation grants furthering United Methodist ministries were established through estate planning by thoughtful individuals who wished to leave a positive legacy. Should you wish to discuss establishing a fund through a testamentary gift from your estate please contact Paul Bowman or Roger Redding at 865-690-8124 or click [here](#).

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Eudow & Maybelle Hamm

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WASHINGTON NEWS

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As students return to colleges and universities this month, the IRS summarized the tax benefits available to students in IR-2015-102. Two of the primary credits are the American Opportunity Tax Credit (AOTC) and the Lifetime Learning Credit (LLC). [Read More](#)

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MATCHING GRANT ANNOUNCED FOR AFRICAN ORPHANS IN ZIMBABWE



Ishe Anesu Project is located within the Hilltop United Methodist Church premises in Sakubva, Mutare, Zimbabwe. For years, Maria Sabino Humbane, and her husband Bill, have worked with orphans and underprivileged children in the area.

Over the years Holston has invested in the project having built a building to daily care for 90 children with HIV as well as helped with educational needs.

Due to Bill's mandatory retirement from Africa University and the loss of that income, mission leaders in the Holston Conference are stepping forward to fund the shortfall in this transitional year as the Humbane's replacements are selected and trained. Without this stop-gap support the future of Ishe Anesu is in jeopardy.

Rev. Jerry Russell and Rev. Mike Sluder are leading efforts to raise \$50,000 in emergency aid. The Holston Conference Foundation and Change for Children have approved grants, but \$15,000-\$20,000 is still needed.

The Holston Conference Foundation is offering a \$10,000 challenge grant to match the gift of donors who step forward in faith to continue this vital ministry. (This grant will match every gift dollar given up to \$10,000.)

DEADLINE FOR THE MATCHING GRANT IS SEPTEMBER 15, 2015.

For questions about the Ishe Anesu Project please contact Rev. Mike Sluder at mikesluder@holston.org or call **865-690-4080**. For questions about the challenge grant please contact the Holston Conference Foundation at **865-690-8124**

Your support is greatly appreciated.

Checks may be made out to (with Ishe Anesu in the memo line):

The Holston Conference Foundation

PO Box 900

Alcoa, TN 37701

Or you can contribute online by clicking [here](#).