

DENOMINATIONAL MINISTRY FUND

The Denominational Ministry Fund is the primary means by which ARP churches provide financial support for Synod's ministries.

Synod's goal for giving is 20 percent of your congregation's unrestricted receipts. If your church has met the 20 percent giving goal, please at least maintain that level. If your church has not yet achieved that level, you are encouraged to increase your giving by 1 percent a year until you reach 20 percent.

All churches are expected to contribute at least 10 percent. If your congregation is below that level, please at least maintain your current percentage of giving and increase incrementally as the Lord makes it possible to do so.

As part of a connectional denomination, your gifts support all the ministries of General Synod:

... ***The ARP***, communicating the news and information which is so vital to our understanding of who we are as a denomination--who we are as the *ARP Family*.

... **Bonclarken**, ministering to spiritual needs by providing conference and assembly facilities.

... **Erskine College and Seminary**, training men and women to impact the world for Christ.

... **Outreach North America**, planting new churches and helping to renew existing congregations in the United States and Canada.

... **World Witness**, spreading the Gospel around the globe.

... **Christian Education Ministries**, providing Christian education, training and resources for our youngest to our oldest members.

... **Central Services**, providing administrative support for the ministries of Synod.

Without the Denominational Ministry Fund, a number of Synod's ministries simply would not exist. Please remember that your gifts help our denomination share the Gospel, and therefore have an **eternal impact on lives.**

Denominational Ministry Fund Worksheet

I. Goal for Denominational Ministry Fund

General Synod's goal for the Denominational Ministry Fund is for each congregation to give 20% of its general fund receipts, with a minimum goal of 10%.

To fund adequately the committees, boards, and agencies that carry out General Synod's work in 2011 will require an amount equal to \$113.00 per active member of our denomination.

II. To Determine the Percentage for your pledge in 2011:

A. Enter General Fund Receipts for 2009: _____

B. Amount your church plans to give to DMF: _____

C. Divide "B" by "A." Multiply by 100. _____ % of General Fund Receipts.

III. If your church cannot meet the minimum goal but would like to give a pro-rata share:

A. Number of Active Members for your congregation as reported for 2009: _____

B. Per Active Member total = \$113.00.

C. Pledge Amount: "A" times "B" = \$ _____