



## **The Hurting Churches Fund** **Endowment**

### **What is The Hurting Churches Fund?**

- This Endowment was created to help member churches of the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches (NACCC) through challenging times. The Morgan Park Hurting Churches Fund and 21st Century Pilgrim Club Fund were consolidated to create ***The Hurting Churches Fund Endowment.***
- Churches are encouraged to apply for funds as identified by their church, however, examples of needs are:
  - Emergency capital or operations support.
  - Consultation expenses on matters of critical importance to the church.
  - Emergency funds when a pastor is ill or incapacitated.
  - closing costs or loan application funds for larger construction projects.

### **How to Apply**

- You must be an active NACCC member church.
- Grants are made for one-time expenses rather than recurring expenses or long-term commitments.
- Grants will not be provided for projects that will impose an undue financial burden on the church. It is expected that a church will meet the balance of the expenses with the grant or with additional already established resources.
- An itemized estimate from a vendor is required for projects that involve construction or material purchases, as standard business practices apply.
- Grants up to \$2,500 per application are available. Repeat applications cannot be made within a 24-month period. A lifetime maximum of \$10,000 per church is imposed.
- Approval of grants is made by the Growth Ministry Council (GMC) and are based on the recommendation from The Hurting Churches Fund Task Team.
- To apply, fill out the application form found [here](#).
- To submit your application, follow the instructions provided on the form.
- Recipients of grants will be asked to provide a summary of how the project proceeded, including pictures and an evaluation of its success 6 months and 12 months after the money is disbursed.

## How Can You Help

- Generous donations from individuals and other member churches will help to keep The Hurting Churches Fund healthy and available to those churches who are in need.
- Contributions up to \$1,000 will be made available for the current year grants. Gifts above \$1,000 will be placed in the Endowment, to help churches in the future.
- Your generosity will make a difference to those churches in the NACCC that need a helping hand.

The Hurting Churches Fund is here to help make a difference in the life of the church. Whether you need assistance or want to help others, we welcome your participation today!

[Click here to apply for assistance](#) or [here to contribute to the fund](#).