

CHURCH PLANTING PROPOSAL FORM INSTRUCTIONS

A FAMILY OF CHURCHES IN TEXAS, LOUISIANA, AND ARKANSAS

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The Trinity Annual Conference of the Global Methodist Church welcomes proposals for new church starts. Our goal is to streamline this process, supporting church plants while ensuring accountability to the Annual Conference. We encourage collaboration with your Presiding Elder and the New Church Starts Committee.

Eligibility

- Grants are available for both grass root opportunities and churches launched within the past 5 years.
- Examples include churches without a permanent building, new multicultural services, or a child campus of existing congregations.

How to Apply

- Access the Trinity Conference Church Planting Proposal Form on our website.
- Provide details about your church start's health, planning, and specific ministry needs.
- Grants range from \$10,000 to \$30,000 and may fund start-up costs (e.g., staffing, rent, equipment, advertising), but not the primary pastor's salary.

Submission and Review Process

- Submit your completed form to the New Church Starts Committee.
- The committee meets monthly, and may request additional information.

Grant Schedule

- April 10 August 1, 2025: First round of grant applications accepted.
- September 15, 2025: First-round grant announcements.
- November 1, 2025: Second round of applications accepted (if funds remain).
- December 15, 2025: Second-round grant announcements.

Training Requirement

- Grant recipients must participate in training. The training is for clergy and laity.
- The Planter's Field Training Program is the recommended training program and up to two seats will be reimbursed by the conference upon completion.
- Alternative training may be approved—consult the New Church Starts Committee.

Follow-Up Expectations

- Recipients must be prepared to report on how funds were used and their impact.
- Funding may be requested annually.

God is with you and your congregation as you grow. We are honored to partner with you in this ministry.

-Trinity Conference New Church Starts Committee