

CONTINUING EDUCATION GRANT APPLICATION

The Presbytery of Great Rivers has a grant fund used to share the costs of approved programs of professional development with the minister and the participating church.

- **Ministers of Word and Sacrament and Commissioned Lay Pastors may apply for Continuing Education Grants of up to \$500 in one year, but may only receive \$500 every three years.**
- **Ministers of Word and Sacrament who are pursuing a Doctor of Ministry degree may request a total of \$500 over the course of their entire degree program, but may not receive more than \$250 in a calendar year.**
- **Grants are designed to help ministers and lay pastors continue their education in ways that will support their ministry in their current contexts and are designed to assist those who are in the greatest financial need of grants.**
- **Continuing Education Grants are a way for the Presbytery of Great Rivers to partner with churches, ministers, and lay pastors in ministry. Those who receive grants can partner with the presbytery to share their knowledge. Those receiving grants shall share their education experience in some way. This could be done by giving a brief presentation at an assembly meeting, writing a brief article for the Good News Newsletter, leading a seminar, or in some other creative way.**

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Present position: _____

For what specific program are you seeking a grant? _____

Dates and location of program: _____

(If the program meets several times over a given period, please be specific.) _____

Have you been accepted for this program? _____ Yes _____ No

Does this program lead to a degree or certification? _____ Yes _____ No

If so, what and when? _____

Cost of program for this year: _____

(If you are traveling with your family, include costs for yourself only. No funds are available for family lodging, meals etc.)

Amount of your yearly continuing education allowance: _____

Congregation's contribution: _____ Your Contribution: _____

(including your Continuing Education allowance)

What amount do you seek from presbytery? _____

Have you received monies in the past for this particular educational program? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, for what years? _____

How will you share with others the skills and knowledge you gained through your program? _____

Anything else you would like us to know? _____

This money is to be used only for the program listed above

Signature: _____ Date: _____

The session of the _____ Church recognizes and approves of this continuing education for _____.

*Signature of Clerk: _____ Date: _____

*If you are an at large member of presbytery, please have this application endorsed and signed by the session of the congregation in which you are worshipping.

Committee on Ministry Approval: _____ Date: _____

Send **original** to the presbytery office at
1230 W Candletree Drive, Suite D, Peoria, IL 61614
Retain a copy for your personal file

For presbytery office use only

Date received: _____

COM approved: _____

Check mailed: _____