Evangelism Funding Guidelines 2027

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EVANGELISM EVENTS - funded at 60%

Evangelism events are defined as events that share Adventism's distinctives and invite people to become members. These can be short meetings, full traditional meetings, or even small groups.

ADVERTISING FOR BIBLE STUDIES AND DISCOVER BIBLE SCHOOLS - funded at 80%

Bible study advertising (social media or traditional card mailings). The advertising must be targeted to a local audience in the town or county of the church. Churches are limited to a $3,000 yearly advertising budget per church to be subsidized at 80%. If you are conducting a Discover Bible School, you may include the purchase of materials necessary for your Bible school, and they will also be subsidized at the same rate. A higher budget for advertising can be considered upon special request.

Ø Voice of Prophecy - has an online advertising service that the Wanamaker church has found VERY useful. Call for details… #(970) 622-2999.

Ø Sermonview - has an online advertising service that several churches in KS-NE have used. The website is: https://www.sermonview.com/.

COMMUNITY CONTACT EVENTS - funded at 20%

Contact events are programs of limited duration (not more than six weeks) that bring the church members into contact with the community with the intent of generating relationships and Bible study interests. Contact events can include county fair booths, health programs, VBS, and other events. The event must have a total budget of at least $1000 and not more than $5000. In the case of VBS and similar events, an advertising budget must be added to the event, and a report of community participation must be submitted after the event.

PLEASE REMEMBER

Ø Evangelism funds cannot be used for equipment purchases.

Ø Evangelism funds cannot be used for capital improvements (church renovations, etc.).

Ø The local church must handle the funds for all events. Third-party donations or spending that the local church does not handle cannot be reported as part of the total expense of the project.

80/20 REPORTING POLICY

80% of the conference funding will be sent 4-6 weeks in advance of the meeting. After the event, in order to receive the final 20% of funds, you will need to report the total funds spent and other required information **within 30 days.** This is to be reported **at the bottom of the Event Budget Sheet, in "After-Event Reporting".** If the reporting is not received within 30 days, the final 20% will be forfeited, and reporting will still be required before the church will be able to receive any further funding.

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Important Changes for 2027

Beginning in 2027, we are making a few changes to simplify the request and reporting process for both pastors and the conference office. **You will not need to submit event budgeting information or reporting in the Google drive as we have done previously.**

Here is how the process will work going forward:

1. **Budget Requests:** Complete the appropriate (evangelism meetings, Bible school, or contact event) Excel budget spreadsheet for each evangelistic event your church plans to conduct (attached to this email).
2. **Submitting Requests:** Email your completed spreadsheets directly to me at vcovel@ks-ne.org.
3. **Approval Notification:** You will be notified of event approvals in December.
4. **Receiving Funds:** Evangelism checks will be mailed upon the pastor's request. You may request funds up to 60 days before the start of an event by emailing me at vcovel@ks-ne.org.
5. **Check Request:** Check Requests will be created and emailed to our Treasury department. The pastor will be CC'd on this email.
6. **Final Reporting:** In accordance with conference policy, 20% of the approved conference funding will be withheld until the event report is submitted. Reports are due within 30 days after the event concludes. To receive the 20%, email Virgil the completed report form (attached to this email) along with your request for the balance.

Forms will also be available for download from our conference website - https://www.ks-ne.org/
Click on Departments > Ministerial.