



Ministerial  
Education Fund

# DID YOU KNOW?



The Ministerial Education Fund was established by action of the 1968 General Conference. The Ministerial Education Fund prepares ordained leaders to become pastors, teachers, evangelists, missionaries and chaplains for our church.

This fund is the basic financial source for preparing and educating clergy leadership for The United Methodist Church using 75 of the funds raised to support 13 UM schools of theology providing one-fifth of their annual budget. The remaining 25 of the funds raised remain in the local annual conference to support continuing education opportunities for pastors across the connection, course-of-study education for local pastors and clergy recruitment, and provide financial aid for students.

Every clergyperson who has served in The United Methodist Church over the past 50 years has been shaped in part by the ministries and institutions supported by the Ministerial Education Fund. This fund is distributed by the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry.

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**The Ministerial Education Fund is the basic financial source to prepare and educate our UM clergy?**

**The Ministerial Education Fund supports development and continued education efforts for clergy?**

**75% of the Ministerial Education Fund is used to support 13 United Methodist seminaries?**

**25% of Ministerial Education Fund offerings stay in local UM annual conferences?**



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**Giving for this fund is made through your local church apportionments**