



Ministry Initiative Grant Applications

Evaluating a Grant Application Form

Grant application forms, when received by the Association Mission Commission, should be reviewed and analyzed before the meeting with the applying church as a basis for questions and comments during the interview. The primary purpose of this review is:

1. To ensure the application fits the **criteria and policies** set forth by the Board.
2. To ensure that the application form is **completed**.

(NOTE: Completed forms should only be sent to the ABMB after having been dealt with by the Association)

When reviewing the application forms, the first matter to be checked is whether or not the situation is one that fits the criteria and policies of the Atlantic Baptist Mission Board as they relate to Ministry Initiative Grants. Please review those policies as outlined in the enclosed sheet entitled “*Board Policies*.”

If all is in order with the application, the following considerations should be made and questions asked relative to the respective pages:

Page 1 – Application for Ministry Grant

- Is all information given?

Page 2 – Qualifying & Financial Information

- Does this church qualify for a Ministry Initiative Grant?
- Does the church provide the financial information being requested?
- Is the amount being requested from the board within the general guideline noted in the Application Criteria?
- Is this a realistic request for this church in this situation?
- If the church is reapplying, does the request reflect a desire or effort to decrease the previous year’s grant?

Page 2 – Declaration of Church Clerk

- Has the required church meeting taken place, is the document signed by the clerk?