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We are calling on our members and friends to generously support the **Equipping Ministries Fund** to effectively support our pastors and ministerial leaders in gaining the critical skills for ministry, equipping them that they might best serve the church and follow the will of God.

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The writer of Hebrews prayed that leaders would be *equipped with every good thing needed for doing God's will (Hebrews 13:20-21)*.

In the **Ministers Council**, this is not just our prayer; it is also our mission. The **Ministers Council** exists to equip leaders with:

- the resources needed for effective ministry
- strengthening leaders through training, continuing education, and networking
- helping leaders to provide better service and support to their communities.

Ministry is increasingly complex. Beyond the traditional roles of clergy, ministerial leaders must also serve as business strategists, social media experts, and fund developers. These changing roles require learning beyond seminary to remain current and competent. And that learning is best delivered by those who understand the critical abilities required for pastoral leadership.

As the professional organization of ordained, commissioned and lay American Baptist leaders, the **Ministers Council** understands the challenges of ministry, and offers the rich resources required to equip leaders with the skills needed for ministry.

You can further our efforts by contributing to the **Equipping Ministries Fund**. This fund supports the development and delivery of educational content to meet the dynamic and changing needs of ministry. The fund also makes these offerings accessible to ministerial leaders through scholarships and grants.



We have created this capacity to ensure that our leaders would be equipped with every good thing needed for doing God's will and now we need your support. Help us to accomplish our mission by giving to the **Equipping Ministries Fund**. You can make it possible for our leaders to carry out what is pleasing in God's sight.

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Equipping Ministries Fund

The **Minsters Council**, ABCUSA, has established the **Equipping Ministries Fund** to ensure the funding of:

- Design and development of educational content in leadership effectiveness, spiritual enrichment, and ministry enrichment
- Online and in person delivery of educational programs
- Scholarships to expand and increase participation
- Sponsored seminars and gatherings
- Associated administrative expenses

