

WE'RE MINISTERS SERVING MINISTERS...

Our national part-time staff and elected "Leadership Team" work remotely to serve our national chapters through encouragement, networking and EIM grants. We serve individuals through our newsletters, website and online community. We promote regular clergy study gatherings through TIM grants and Affinity Groups under development.

We hold annual national gatherings in conjunction with the ABCUSA Biennial and (on alternate years) our own ministry retreat and biennial business meeting. Our Leadership Team and Chapter Representatives do the "business" of the Ministers Council

Will you join this grassroots community seeking wisdom and well-being for the sake of Christ's ministries?

Paying our affordable annual dues allows us to serve you in these ways. Paid members are eligible for voting, grants named here and various discounts and "members only" resources.

JOIN THE MINISTERS COUNCIL TODAY

Connect with a local chapter. Attend a retreat. Participate in peer learning. Covenant with colleagues who share your journey.


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The Ministers Council ABCUSA

*Inspiring Ministerial Excellence
for the Glory of Jesus Christ
Since 1935*





CENTEREDNESS. COLLEGIALITY. COMPETENCE.

The Ministers Council is your national family of American Baptist ministers who care about YOU. We are pastors, chaplains, counselors, educators, and other ministry leaders serving Christ's evolving mission today. *Members covenant* to support one another for wisdom and wellbeing in ministry across our various contexts.

Together, we:

- Promote spiritual renewal
- Cultivate peer relationships
- Pursue lifelong learning

We encourage local chapters across the country, and connect members virtually who do not currently have a local chapter.

Our staff and volunteers work to connect you with resources within and beyond our ABC family.

Whether you're just beginning your journey or are a seasoned minister, the Ministers Council is a place where you belong.



As American Baptist ministers, we know the wisdom of our interdependence. We value soul liberty yet we also know "lone ranger" ministry is isolating and risks unwise or damaging choices. We value the counsel and needs of others beyond our sphere, yet take responsibility for leadership in our local contexts.

We strive for faithfulness in ministry, not perfection. That's why we affirm lifelong learning with companions as an essential kind of spiritual practice.

Today, we call these the 3C's -

**Centeredness * Collegiality *
Competence**

BECAUSE MINISTRY IS TOO IMPORTANT TO DO ALONE

Whether you're seeking renewal, professional growth, or companions in covenant, we're here to walk with you through every season of your call. We support members as they create collegial spaces and tools such as:

- Covenant Groups (TIM Grants)
 - Webinars (Monthly "MC Live" and others)
 - Chapter Support (EIM Grants/Reps' Support)
 - Learning Guide for Code of Ethics
 - Sabbath-Minded Ministry Tips & Tools
 - Weekly & Monthly Newsletters
 - Help in Finding Grant Resources
 - NOW AVAILABLE! Clergy Well-Being Hub
- Scan for more info.



Under Development:

- Affinity Groups (for shared contexts, communities or issues)
- Book Study Circles
- Spiritual Direction Resources