

AMERICAN BAPTIST CHURCHES OF VERMONT AND NEW HAMPSHIRE SILVER/BEAN ALLOWANCE AND GRANTS

ALBERT A. SILVER, JR. FUND

RAYMOND J. BEAN FUND

Years 2016-17

Continuing Education Grants, Degree Study Grants and Professional Books/Journals Allowance benefits from the Albert A. Silver, Jr. and Raymond J. Bean Funds will be available to all active professional church leaders in the ABC/VNH Region. Each active ABC/VNH Professional Church Leader and Certified Lay Minister may receive upon request:

- 1. Annual Professional Book/Journal Allowance **\$200****
ABC/VNH PCLs (active and retired) will be reimbursed for professional books, and/or journals purchased, upon submission of receipts (or copies).

Application for the following three grant programs must be made on the ABC/VNH Silver/Bean Fund Continuing Education Grant Request Form (available from the ABC/VNH office or on our website).

- 2. Continuing Education Grants **\$350****
Annual continuing education funds of \$350 are available. It is possible to request up to a two-year grant of \$500. Two-year grant requests will be charged to the present and successive years.

Written report forms are available to record the Continuing Education experience once it has been completed. Forms are available from the ABC/VNH office or on our website.

- 3. ABCUSA Biennial or Conference Scholarship Grants **\$400****
Upon request, active ABC/VNH PCLs may receive a \$400.00 grant toward the expenses of attending the ABC/USA Biennial or, in non-Biennial years, an ABC-sponsored national or regional conference.

Note: In any given year, applications will be accepted for *either* a continuing education grant *or* an ABCUSA Biennial or Conference Scholarship Grant, but not both.

- 4. Two year M. Div., D. Min., or Ph.D. Study Grants **\$1,000****
Active ABC/VNH PCLs may request a grant of \$500.00 per year for two years, if they are enrolled in an ATS accredited seminary, in either an M. Div., D. Min. or ministry-related Ph.D. study program.