

# Ordained Clergy—Student Loan Debt Forgiveness Grant

This \$1000 grant is for clergy currently serving. It is only for the first 5 years of ordained ministry. This grant was started in 2015 and that class is the first class to receive it all five years. Those ordained in 2014 were given the opportunity to receive it for 4 years and this is their final year of eligibility. It is presently for those ordained in 2014 or later in the Iowa Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church that have outstanding seminary student loans (this is for Masters work only). As this is a new grant, those ordained in 2018 may receive the grant for up to 5 years, those ordained in 2017 may now receive the grant for up to 4 years including this year, those ordained in 2016 may now receive the grant for up to 3 years including this year, those ordained in 2015 may now receive the grant for up to 2 years including this year, those ordained in 2014 may receive the grant for this year. In order to receive this grant multiple years, one must apply for the grant each year that they wish to receive it. As the Board of Ordained Ministry, we realize the challenges presented by the first five years of ministry. We are offering this grant as a way to say thank you to you for your service to the United Methodist Church.

The check will be sent directly to the loan provider to be credited to your account.

Applications must be received or sent to

Lisa Steel, Director of Ministerial Services, at [lisa.larson@iaumc.org](mailto:lisa.larson@iaumc.org) or 2301 Rittenhouse Street, Des Moines, IA 50321 by September 1st.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

| Lender | Current Balance | Number of Payments Remaining (or years) |
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Name of Loan Provider \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Loan Provider (where to send the check) \_\_\_\_\_

Account number or any other information that should be in the memo line of the check \_\_\_\_\_

Year of Ordination \_\_\_\_\_ Current Appointment \_\_\_\_\_

## Additional Documentation

*You are responsible for submitting along with this application documentation (such as a copy of current statement or original loan documents) sufficient to verify your education loans.*