## George Wright Fund Information

As a beneficiary of the will of the late George R. Wright, The American Baptist Churches of Massachusetts receives a share of income from a fund held in trust by a commercial banking institution. This income, named by The American Baptist Churches of Massachusetts, as the "George Wright Fund" provides grants to be used to support churches in the following ways:

- Reduce the principal amounts of mortgages for church buildings
- Assist in the repayment for student loans for pastors and church staff
- Assist with stipend positions for growing ministries
- Support new churches meeting in other buildings
- Support for collaborative ministry partnerships between TABCOM churches
- Fund building projects to improve accessibility and energy efficiency.
- Assist in church technology upgrades

Churches requesting assistance from The George Wright Fund must be in "good standing" with The American Baptist Churches of Massachusetts and their Association. Criteria to determine "good standing" may include, but are not limited to:

- Participation in TABCOM and Association meetings and events
- Churches giving to United Mission Basics, Massachusetts Ministries Fund or the America for Christ Offering
- Current in-payment of Association dues

No church may receive assistance from the George Wright Fund for more than five (5) successive years. Any requests for exceptions will be subject to review by the George Wright Fund Committee.

## Please attach to your application:

- A brief budget for the project for which you are applying.
- Previous year's treasurer's report (line item report of income and expenses)
- Current year budget

## **GEORGE WRIGHT FUND APPLICATION**

NAME OF CHURCH:	
MAILING ADDRESS:	
PHONE:	EMAIL:
MODERATOR:	
PASTOR:	
PASTOR'S EMAIL:	
Please share the purpose for which you are making this request:	
Briefly, how does this fit with your church's ministry goals?	
What other financial sources are being utilized for this need?	
Indicate the amount requested:	Typical range is from \$1000 -\$5000.
Name of Person Completing Form	
Phone:	Email

## Please return this application:

Date:

By email (preferred) to <a href="mailto:ellis@tabcom.org">ellis@tabcom.org</a> (put "George Wright Fund" in the subject line) By postal mail to: The American Baptist Churches of Massachusetts 189 Prescott Street, Groton, MA 01450 Attn: George Wright Fund