

# DIVISION OF US MISSIONS / NEW CHURCH GRANT APPLICATION FOR SPEED-THE-LIGHT ASSISTANCE

ALL QUESTIONS MARKED WITH AN \* ARE REQUIRED.  
APPLICATION WILL BE RETURNED IF NOT COMPLETED IN FULL.

\*Name of New Church: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Church Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date church began: \_\_\_\_\_ Population of area the church will serve: \_\_\_\_\_

Current attendance: \_\_\_\_\_ Where is the church congregation meeting? \_\_\_\_\_

To whom is new church property deeded? \_\_\_\_\_

\*Name of Pastor: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

\*E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

**POLICY:** It is understood that any new church receiving Speed the Light assistance must contribute to Speed the Light through their district. **I understand the above stated policy and agree to abide by such.**

\*DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ \*PASTOR'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

The \$3,500 grant provided by STL can be applied toward the cost of the following equipment.  
Any cost over the \$3,500 is the responsibility of the new church.

*Video Projectors    Screens    Sound System    Character Generator    Audio/Visual Duplicators*

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## DISTRICT APPROVAL—INCLUDING PLEDGING OF FUNDS: \$3,500

\*District Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\*District Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*US Missions Director: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*District Youth Director: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS / SUGGESTIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

**AGUSM / SPEED-THE-LIGHT COMMITTEE APPROVAL**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# **STL Policy—New Church Evangelism Grant**

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**Effective January 1, 2007**

## **Qualifications**

When a new church applies for a New Church Evangelism Grant, the following qualifications must be met:

- The church has the approval of the district presbytery or district U.S. Missions board and a “New Church Opening” report is filed with the general secretary’s office.
- The New Church Evangelism Grant Application is filed with the District Office within 24 months of the filing of the “New Church Opening” report.
- The Planting pastor should have a plan for a startup date and location of such.
- The church has a nucleus of people whose intent and purpose is to establish an Assemblies of God church.
- All property, if purchased, should be owned by the church, titled in the name of the church or the district.
- The church must have a qualified pastor approved by the district.
- The church should contribute to Speed the Light as a part of its annual missions budget.
- Equipment is owned by the church as long as it is in existence. If the church closes all equipment should be returned to the district office.

## **Communication Equipment**

All requests for Speed the Light equipment will be for evangelism and limited to communication.

This can be multimedia equipment which includes:

- Video projectors
- Screens
- Portable sound systems
- Audio/Visual duplicators
- Character Generators

**POLICY REVISION AND AMOUNT CHANGE WAS APPROVED BY  
THE SPEED THE LIGHT / U.S. MISSIONS COMMITTEE  
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2007**

# Procedures for Processing the New Church Grant



## **RESPONSIBILITY OF DISTRICT YOUTH MINISTRIES**

- The **District Youth Director** will obtain all necessary information and signatures on the New Church Grant Application.
- The district completing the application is responsible for providing the needed funds.
- The completed application form should be mailed, faxed, or sent by e-mail to U.S. Missions.

## **RESPONSIBILITY OF U.S. MISSIONS**

- AGUSM will present the application to the USM/STL Committee for approval.
- AGUSM will notify the new church that the request has been approved.
- The application form will be sent to the Speed-the-Light office for processing.
- AGUSM will notify the district if the request is deferred or disapproved.

## **RESPONSIBILITY OF SPEED THE LIGHT**

STL will send an initial e-mail to the new church notifying the pastor and congregation of the approval of the grant. A subsequent email will be sent when funding is available, detailing the necessary steps for purchase of the equipment. A copy of the communication will be sent to the District Youth Director. It may take up to two years for funding to become available.

- The district can purchase the equipment and present the equipment to the church. The district will be reimbursed when receipts are provided to the STL office.
- The church can purchase equipment locally. Copies of receipts need to be sent to STL by fax or e-mail with a report on what was purchased and the total cost. The check for the appropriate amount will be issued...payable to the church.
- The church can contact the recommended STL vendor and order the needed equipment. The vendor will ship the equipment to the church but send the invoice to STL for payment directly to the vendor.

**Send completed application form to the following address:**

**U.S. MISSIONS  
1445 N. BOONVILLE AVENUE  
SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI 65802**

**or fax to 417-873-9734**

**or e-mail to [redgman@ag.org](mailto:redgman@ag.org)**