

**Acts 16:5 Initiative**  
**Scholarship for Participating Churches**  
*Whitewater Valley Presbytery*  
*Mission Support Unit*

**Criteria**

The Coordinating Council of Whitewater Valley Presbytery has approved that a church participating in the Acts 16:5 Initiative may apply for up to \$500 per year to cover in part the church's financial commitment to the Acts 16:5 Initiative. The scholarships will come from the Promise of Tomorrow Fund.

The Council delegated to the Mission Support Unit the development of criteria for awarding these scholarships. These criteria are:

- That a Whitewater Valley Presbytery congregation signs up for the two-year Acts 16:5 Initiative by December 31, 2008. The commitment will involve paying \$1,380 per year and agreeing to have the church's leadership team attend two trainings per year and meet at least eight times per year.
- That the session of the participating congregation submits the two-year scholarship application below to the Mission Support Unit no later than February 27, 2009.
- That the application explains the congregation's need for the financial assistance.
- That, at the time of application, the congregation is current with its Per Capita payments and Shared Mission pledge.
- If a congregation requests less than the \$500 limit for each year, that congregation may submit an updated application by December 1, 2009 if they wish to request more money for the second year (the \$500 yearly limit still applies).

A congregation may submit this application electronically to [fmartinez@whitewatervalley.org](mailto:fmartinez@whitewatervalley.org) or may submit it by mail to:

Whitewater Valley Presbytery  
Attn. Felipe Martinez  
9152 Kent Ave. B-50  
Indianapolis IN 46216

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Initial application  
 Updated application

Funds requested (up to \$500 per year):

\$\_\_\_\_\_ for 2009                      \$\_\_\_\_\_ for 2010

Church's Name:  
Church's Address:

Contact Person's Name:  
Contact Person's Address:

Church's 2008 Membership:  
Church's 2008 Average worship attendance:  
Church's 2008 Average Sunday school attendance:

1. What has motivated the church to participate in the Acts 16:5 Initiative?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. In light of the church's finances, do you feel that \$1,380 a year (\$115 a month) represents a burden to the congregation? If so, how much do you feel your church could afford per year?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. The presbytery's scholarship is limited to \$500 a year. If this assistance would not meet the gap between what you can afford and the \$1,380 a year commitment, how would you plan to raise the remaining money?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. Please attach the Church's budgets for 2008 and 2009