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PASTOR'S NAME  
CHURCH  
CHURCH ADDRESS

Dear:

Thanks for your recent inquiry regarding membership in the American Baptist Churches of the South (ABCOTS). We are a Region of the American Baptist Churches in the USA, which has Headquarters in Valley Forge, PA. Our mission as a Region is to provide support to our cooperating churches as they seek to minister where they are located.

Enclosed are a Pastor's Packet and our data on ABCOTS. One pamphlet gives a synopsis of our history, who we are and what services are available to our churches. The other outlines, in detail, how a local church can become a member of ABCOTS, as well as the expectations ABCOTS has of member units.

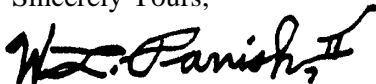
Mission was the beginning of ABCOTS founding, and remains the structure upon which our development rests today. We expect every church member to be actively involved and charged with the responsibility of making regular contributions to the United Missions Program (un-designated) of ABC/USA.

**Each congregation is asked to give a minimum of \$1,500 per year (un-designated) to the UNITED MISSION PROGRAM, if its membership is 300 or larger.  
Equal \$4.11 per day for Missions.**

**If a congregation's membership is less than 300 members, the minimum contribution is \$1,000 per year with a 10% increase each year, until they reach the giving level of \$1,500.  
Equals - \$2.74 per day for Missions.**

After reviewing our materials, and you are still interested, the next step is to invite the Executive Minister to meet with you, members of the board/or the church relative to such affiliation. This should precede any formal vote by the church. Please feel free to contact our office in Baltimore, Maryland.

Sincerely Yours,



Dr. W. L. Parrish, II  
Executive Minister

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