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*Share
 The
 Blessing II*





1911 - The Aged Ministers Committee was formed to research retirement benefits for ministers. Their recommendation was to raise funds and create an endowment which would be managed by the Trustees of Trust Funds.



1939 - A special Thanksgiving offering was initiated to build up the trust funds.



1979 - The Benefits and Insurance Board developed a revised plan based on the years of service and managed by North Carolina Yearly Meeting.



1994 - Share the Blessing campaign was approved with the goal of one million dollars. As of 2009 the principal balance is \$955,817.00.



2008 - The Benefits and Insurance Board set the retirement benefits at \$15.00 per month times years of service. This increase is received by all who participate in the retirement plan.



2008 - A recommendation was made by Executive Committee and Benefits and Insurance Board to begin a new campaign to raise funds in the hopes of doubling the monthly retirement benefit. Share the Blessing II is the name for this campaign.

Market Value of Investments

As of June 30, 2009
\$2,077,043.81



The goal of Share the Blessing II is to raise \$5 million over a five-year period. The campaign will run for one year with pledges and donations to be paid over a five-year period.

To aid in meeting the current short-fall of funding for the retirement plan and to increase awareness about the importance and urgency of the need, there will be a **special offering** received in each Meeting on **November 15, 2009**. The goal for this offering is **\$100,000.00**; which is equivalent to \$10.00 per member. The official kickoff for the campaign will be **January 2010**.

Each one should prayerfully seek God's leading in supporting this critical need.

In thoughts about giving to NCYM ministers' retirement, there are dozens of reasons we should; but none as appropriate as the Apostle Paul's inspired word below. Please be faithful to allow our pastors to retire with dignity.

*⁶ But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷ So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸ And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work. ¹⁰ Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness, ¹¹ while you are enriched in everything for all liberality, which causes thanksgiving through us to God. ¹² For the administration of this service not only supplies the needs of the saints, but also is abounding through many thanksgivings to God, ¹³ while, through the proof of this ministry, they glorify God for the obedience of your confession to the gospel of Christ, and for your liberal sharing with them and all men, ¹⁴ and by their prayer for you, who long for you because of the exceeding grace of God in you. ¹⁵ **Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!***

2 Corinthians 9:6-15 (NKJ)