

American Baptist  
**Women's**  
MINISTRIES

In April 2018 opportunity for the ABWM NYS Opportunity Fund was created out of gifts from the estates of Hillview Community Church, which closed in 2015 and the First Baptist Church of Oneonta, which closed in January, 2018.

These churches left funds for American Baptist Women's Ministries of NYS as part of their ongoing legacy of love for American Baptist Women's Ministries of NYS and to use for the development of women when they made the hard decision to close their doors.

They decided to let their ministry live through others by helping to enable for dreams to come true. American Baptist Women's Ministries of New York State was one of those ministries where a dream came true.

*The dream is the Opportunity Fund.*

The Opportunity Fund is to provide money for American Baptist Women of New York State and AB G.I.R.L.S. of New York State to have the opportunity to attend conferences, conventions and other similar events.

Guidelines:

- Requests for scholarship assistance from the Opportunity Fund should be made as soon as possible prior to the event. Fund requests will be granted on a first come, first served basis at the discretion of the Presidential Appointee and in conjunction with the Executive Committee.
- The total available funds per year shall be \$2000.00
- The funding is to be used for American Baptist Women's related conferences, conventions or events
- Once a request is granted, the applicant must wait three years to request additional funds.

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OPPORTUNITY FUND REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

APPLICANT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NO. \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

Member of this ABC Church \_\_\_\_\_

ASSOCIATION: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME, DATE AND LOCATION OF EVENT THAT YOU ARE SEEKING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO ATTEND:

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BRIEFLY DESCRIBE HOW ATTENDING THIS EVENT WILL ENRICH YOUR FAITH, AND HOW YOU WILL USE THE EXPERIENCE IN YOUR CHURCH, WOMEN'S GROUP OR LIFE IN GENERAL:

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COST OF EVENT: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT REQUESTED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

The amount of individual financial assistance will be flexible, depending upon available funds and determined by the Presidential Appointee for Opportunity Fund in conjunction with the Executive Committee of AB Women's Ministries NYS. An individual will be granted only one scholarship award every three years.

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