



**SYNOD OF THE MID-ATLANTIC  
KATE BITTING REYNOLDS FUND**

**Conditions for Participation**

1. In order to participate in the fund, a minister must have the status of being honorably retired as a member of a presbytery of the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), or its successor within the State of North Carolina. If one moves his or her membership from a North Carolina Presbytery, then one forfeits future participation in the Kate Bitting Reynolds Fund.
2. The minister must have served within a presbytery of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) which was or is within the State of North Carolina.
3. The minister must have served in a validated ministry as a member of a presbytery within this prescribed area for a total of not less than five years immediately prior to honorable retirement. Service rendered after the date of the minister's honorable retirement shall not be counted for participation in the fund. Membership in a presbytery shall be counted from the day a minister is received and enrolled as a member and shall end on the day of reception by a presbytery outside of North Carolina.
4. Ministers transferring from other presbyteries to a presbytery within the State of North Carolina at the time of retirement or subsequent thereto for the purpose of participating in the Kate Bitting Reynolds Fund, in order to qualify, must have served in a validated ministry as a member of a presbytery within the prescribed area for an aggregate of at least ten years, and if all other qualifications have been met.
5. Any minister officially retired by a presbytery within the State of North Carolina who qualifies by other rules governing the fund, becomes eligible for participation in the Kate Bitting Reynolds Fund from the date of the minister's retirement by the presbytery on an equal basis.
6. Any minister of a presbytery within the bounds of the State of North Carolina and the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic or its successor who has reached 62 years of age shall be eligible for participation in the fund, except as provided for elsewhere in these rules. If a minister shall have been retired from the active ministry because of ill health, the minister may participate in the benefits of the fund at 50 years or over. In as such cases a minister must have served in a presbytery within the prescribed area for a total of not less than 5 years immediately prior to honorable retirement.
7. In order to participate in the fund it is necessary that every eligible minister should supply the stated clerk of the presbytery with the necessary information concerning the minister's status.

**Method for Distributing the Fund**

The Synod of the Mid-Atlantic's Kate Bitting Reynolds Fund Certification Committee or its successor shall meet not later than ten days prior to the dates of semi-annual distribution (ordinarily the first week in June and November of each year), and shall certify to Wells Fargo the name, address, and amount of each and every minister to participate in the fund, according to the accepted plan and on the basis of the information submitted by the presbyteries. All funds available shall be disbursed on an equal basis among the participating ministers at each semi-annual distribution according to the terms of the Will.

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