

# **CARY'S BAPTIST CHURCH** BENEVOLENCE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Please read this page carefully before completing the application.

#### What is the Benevolence Fund?

The Benevolence Fund is a limited financial fund, available (by application) to members of Cary's Baptist Church (CBC) who are struggling financially due to unforeseen circumstances. On a case by case basis, assistance can be considered for non-members if recommended by the Pastoral staff or one of the Deacons.

The money is granted as a gift, and repayment is not expected. However, if you are blessed in the future and would like to help someone else, please consider a financial contribution to the Benevolence Fund.

Requests are reviewed by the Deacon Board and the Pastor. Once requests have been approved, applicant will be notified and CBC will submit checks directly to the company or agency. The application process does NOT allow assistance to be provided the same day. Average notification period is 4 – 10 days.

#### Guidelines

- Assistance is intended to be a temporary help during a time of crisis.
- Assistance from the Benevolence Fund is intended to be a one-time gift. In unusual circumstances, the Benevolence Ministry may decide to help more than one time.
- Financial assistance is limited to funds available.
- CBC does not help with childcare, credit cards, cable/cell phone bills, reconnection fees, taxes or legal expenses.
- If funds are approved, checks will be made payable only to the service provider(s) to whom bill(s) are owed; (mortgage company, utility provider, etc.). Failure to provide the required documents could delay the process.

#### **Steps for Benevolence Requests**

- 1. Complete a Benevolence Application Form. Deliver completed application in a sealed envelope, addressed to the Chairman of the Deacon Board.
- 2. The Chairman of the Deacon Board will meet/call the individual.
- 3. The Deacon Board will review request with the Pastor.
- 4. The applicant will be notified of the Deacon Board's decision within 48 hours of their meeting or call.
- 5. A Deacon will forward the approved application to the Financial Secretary.
- 6. The Financial Secretary will process approved funding within 2 days of receiving application.

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### **BENEVOLENCE APPLICATION FORM**

DATE:						
Our concern for you is not limited to your fir spiritual and relational health, as well as yo or a Minister to follow-up with you about the this has no bearing on the decision about y	ur genera ese types	I well-being. Would you like the Paston of concerns? (Note: your response to				
No thank you. Yes. Pho	one me at	:				
BEGIN YOUR APPLICATION HERE						
1. Name:						
Address						
Phone #s: Home		_ Mobile				
2. Yes, I am a member of Cary's Baptist Church						
NO, I am not a member of Cary's Baptist Church.						
Church you attend:						
If no Church home, date & place you last worshipped:						
3. List all individuals sharing your househo	-					
Name	Age	Relationship				

4. Please list your specific requests (Attach original documents)

		(Deacon's use)		
Amount	Description of Need	Payable to	А	D
\$				
\$				
\$				
\$				
Total \$				

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5. What is the crisis or situation that has caused you to ask for assistance?

6. Have you contacted anyone else for assistance within the last six (6) months?
Yes No
Please specify: Family Friends Churches Agencies
Are any of the above assisting with your need? Yes No If yes, amount: \$
7. Have you requested or received assistance from Cary's Baptist Church before?
Yes No
If yes, Date Amount \$
8. Any Additional Comments:
I have read and understand the Benevolence Fund Policy and Guidelines. I understand that the funds are disbursed in accordance with Policy and dependent upon money being
available in the Fund. I certify the information I have stated is true and correct. I understand that all information will remain confidential.
Signature Date

### FOR CBC USE ONLY – Do Not Write Below This Line

Date received by Chairman of Deacon Board: Disapproved Reason: Approval Amount:		
Approved: Chairman, Deacon Board	Date:	
Date Funds Disbursed by Financial Secretary:		

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