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Vacation Coverage

All pastors who take vacation may ask the district to cover the pulpit during their time away at district expense.

Sabbatical Leave

The district will provide a \$1,000 grant per individual/pastoral couple going on a sabbatical once approved by their church during the conference year.

Tuition Scholarships for Pastor's Dependents

Memorial Scholarship fund was established to support pastors' dependents by giving tuition scholarships to attend a Wesleyan University.

Continuing Education

District ministerial extension classes will be made available for audit by any credentialed minister who would desire to take it as a refresher course for continuing education credit.

Counseling Services

All pastors and their families are able to receive confidential counseling at a counseling firm called Winning at Home Tampa Bay. Up to four sessions will be paid by the district and the individual will have a co-pay of \$75 per session.

Legal Work

An agreement with a professional attorney to give all credentialed ministers an option to get confidential legal work done in regards to a will, living will, and power of attorney at no cost. Our current agreement is with the office of Thomas J. Shea III Esq. A person can choose their own attorney and the district will pay up to \$400 to have the work done.

Cruise Retreat

The District will pay for all lead/solo pastors to go on a three-four night cruise every four years in lieu of the Pastors and Spouses Retreat that conference year. Pastors' spouses will be paid for by the local church. Credentialed ministers will be offered a partial scholarship similar to our retreat scholarship when there is a need.

Vacation Giveaway

A cruise giveaway will happen at every annual Pastors Team Meeting for solo/lead pastors. One name will be drawn from a hat to win. No former winners may participate.

Zone Picnics

All pastors and spouses will have the opportunity to fellowship with their area peers at an annual BBQ luncheon set up by a zone leader and paid for by the district.

Matching Grants for Pastoral Needs

This program will help pastors and their families by offering assistance in a matching scholarship concept for needed benefits or other unmet financial needs.

Immigrant Program

Partial scholarships for immigration paperwork will be made available for all pastors and their families on a need basis.

Thrive Initiative Program

If a church invests up to \$1000 for their pastor's spiritual, emotional, physical or relational health; and the pastor and two lay leaders complete a Thrive Initiative Financial learning journey, the district, and Thrive Financial Initiative will each match the \$1000 scholarship to equal \$3000 for the pastor.

Student Loan Debt Program

Scholarships will be made available for student loan debt for all pastors appointed at least three years in the Florida District. These scholarships will be based on a one third matching payment (33.33%) schedule, up to \$2,000 for that conference year. Match will be paid upon proof being provided of participants payments.

Pastor Pension Enhancement Program

This program is available to any appointed pastor after one year of service. To maximize this program the local church must make a contribution of up to \$1,000 towards the Pastor's Wesleyan Pension Fund. The Florida District will match the amount from the church up to \$1,000. Then the Denomination's Thrive Financial Initiative will also match the \$1,000 for up to three years making the potential total contribution of the Pastor Pension Enhancement Program \$2,000.