



Res. 2012-21 Second Tier "Fulfilling Our Covenant" Capital Campaign

Update as of September 2015 and reminder that it is not too late to Participate

Dear Church Leader:

If your church has pledged and is meeting its commitment to the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference's "Fulfilling Our Covenant" Capital Campaign, we earnestly thank you for your faithfulness to this collective stewardship effort. Along with other participating churches, you have helped us reduce the amount that we will need to fund our Pre-82 Retired Clergy Pension Liability.

If you have not made a commitment or begun paying on it, it is not too late to do so. We will soon enter the campaign's final year, and we are prayerfully eager to finish this important race together, with faithful participation by all our churches.

For many of us, we know that coming to this point in the campaign has not been easy. In fact, for some it has been downright difficult. So, we want to say thank you not only for your faithfulness, but for your sacrifice as well.

While our goal was to raise \$3,000,000 in this campaign, local churches and individuals have committed nearly \$ 4,000,000; and as of September 15, 2015 we have received a total of \$2,389,137.68. This breaks down with \$2,074,226.73 as the Conference share and another \$314,910.95 being returned to local churches for their projects.

With total campaign expenses projected to be below \$400,000 we are on target to net more than \$3,000,000 by the end of the campaign, which will be the most successful capital campaign undertaken by EPAUMC. So please keep up the good work in fulfilling your campaign commitment if you have not already done so.

As we complete 2015 and begin 2016, the goal is in sight. And thus, our energy surges with confidence and the desire to complete the campaign and fulfill all our commitments. When we do, we want all of us to be able to echo the Apostle Paul's words in 2 Timothy 4:7: "We have finished the race. We have kept the faith."

As we head towards the final year, it is not too late for churches to join us in this important race, to still connect with this campaign in support of our retired clergy. Maybe your congregation was not in a position to be able to participate when the campaign began, but now you would like to join us.



For more information or answers to any questions, please visit the Capital Campaign page on the Conference Website

<http://www.epaumc.org/administration/finance/capital-campaign/> or contact EPA Conference Treasurer Jim Cruickshank at jcruickshank@epaumc.org or (484) 762-8209.

The Capital Campaign is using the investment services and resources available through the Mid-Atlantic United Methodist Foundation with 100% of the funds dedicated to the Capital Campaign. The Capital Campaign holds a number of accounts in a custom investment platform designed to meet the targeted goals of the campaign.

So far the campaign has received securities donations totaling over \$38 thousand. The Mid-Atlantic United Methodist Foundation can seamlessly handle these financial transfers to the Capital Campaign, if this would be helpful for your situation.

Our faithful participation together in the United Methodist connectional system can yield great accomplishments through God's amazing grace, which assures us that all things are possible. Thank you for being a part of this great accomplishment in the name of Jesus Christ and for the benefit of those who have served him faithfully.

Kip Craven
Lay Chair – Capital Campaign Committee