



## Wayne C. Barrett Steward Leader Award

The Wayne C. Barrett Steward Leader Award was established by action of the Board of Directors of the Foundation upon Dr. Barrett's retirement as President and Executive Director. The purpose of this award is to honor up to six United Methodist congregations across the Michigan Area for their exemplary stewardship ministry and culture of generosity.

Qualified applicants must submit an application prior to February 28<sup>th</sup> of the year in which they are to be considered for the award. Applications are available online at [www.umfmichigan.org](http://www.umfmichigan.org). Award recipients must meet a number of eligibility requirements including:

- Have funds invested in the UMF Collective Investment Funds of Michigan LLC
- Have contributed 100% of its conference ministry shares for the previous year and be current in contributions for the present fiscal year
- Demonstrate a collaborative relationship between the pastor and laity in providing leadership in the area of financial stewardship
- Articulate a clearly defined mission and vision for the church
- Adhere to the financial procedures and protocol as defined in the Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church, including but not limited to:
  - Socially responsible investing
  - Annual financial review
  - Cash management
  - IRS-compliant donor contribution statements
- Provide an advance indication of their intent for the awarded funds' usage

Award recipients shall be selected by the Awards and Grants Committee of the Foundation's Board of Directors and notified in early May. Awards will be presented by a member of the Foundation staff to local church leaders during a worship service or other appropriate occasion. Direct any questions to the Foundation office 888-451-1929 or [info@umfmichigan.org](mailto:info@umfmichigan.org).



About The Rev. Dr. Wayne C. Barrett: He has served the Foundation since 1982. He has served nearly 1,000 congregations with programs and consultations in planned giving, capital funding, and stewardship development.

A prolific author, Wayne has written featured articles for leading church-related magazines and has penned three best-selling stewardship books, including *Get Well! Stay Well!: Prescriptions for a Financially Healthy Congregation*, published by Discipleship Resources. Dr. Barrett also served as editor of the *Clergy Finance Letter*.

A much-in-demand speaker, Wayne has served as featured presenter throughout the U.S. and Canada, including the North American Conference on Christian Philanthropy, the United Methodist Convocation on Development, and The Planned Giving School.

Dr. Barrett is married and resides with his wife, Linda, in Grand Rapids, Michigan. They have three adult children and four grandchildren.



## Wayne C. Barrett Steward Leader Award Grant Application

Up to a total of six (6) grants in the amount of \$2,500 each shall be awarded annually to congregations within the Michigan Area of The United Methodist Church. The award recipients shall demonstrate exceptional financial stewardship, embody of culture of generosity, and adhere to the financial procedures and protocol as defined in the *Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church*. Please complete the following information and return by **FEBRUARY 28, 2017** to:

info@umfmichigan.org or  
United Methodist Foundation of Michigan  P.O. Box 6247  Grand Rapids, MI  
49516

Church Name	
Address	
City/State/Zip	
Contact Person	Title
Phone	Email
District	Annual Conference
Average Worship Attendance	
_____ Less than 100    _____ Between 100 and 499    _____ More than 500	
We acknowledge that the church:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Invests funds with the United Methodist Foundation of Michigan</li><li>• Contributed 100% of its conference ministry shares for the previous year and is current in contributions for the present fiscal year</li><li>• Adheres to the financial procedures and protocol as defined in the <i>Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church</i></li></ul>	
_____ Yes                      _____ No	

Share ways in which the church demonstrates a collaborative relationship between the pastor and laity in providing leadership in the area of financial stewardship.

How has the church demonstrated exceptional financial stewardship over the past year?

How is the church striving to embody a culture of extravagant generosity?

State the church's mission and/or vision statements:

If selected, we will likely use the grant funds to:

How will this use of grant funds further the church's mission and vision?

Attach any additional information that might be helpful to the selection committee.

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Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Church Office/Position

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Pastor's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

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Pastor's Email Address

**Application Deadline: February 28, 2017.**

Grant recipients shall be notified in early May, 2017.