

**APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE  
KATE BITTING REYNOLDS FUND**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ D.O. B. \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (St., RFD, Apt.): \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Retirement: \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ Presbytery

Member of the Presbytery of \_\_\_\_\_ in the State of N. C.

Number of years you served as a member of a presbytery in North Carolina? \_\_\_\_\_

Please document by listing below presbytery (ies), dates, and minute references and attach a copy of the minute references. (You are responsible for obtaining the necessary copy [ies])

Presbytery: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates: \_\_\_\_\_ Minute Ref.: \_\_\_\_\_

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If you have transferred outside the bounds of the State of North Carolina, how many years had you served in a presbytery in the State of North Carolina before transferring? \_\_\_\_\_ How many years of service since you returned to a presbytery in the State of North Carolina? \_\_\_\_\_ Date of return: \_\_\_\_\_ Please document this service by identifying the presbytery (ies), dates, and minute references listed above by an asterisk (\*).

If retired because of illness, how many years did you serve in a North Carolina presbytery before retiring? \_\_\_\_\_ Please document this service by identifying the presbytery (ies), dates, and minute references listed above by a check mark (V).

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security No. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*\*\* PRESBYTERY CERTIFICATION \*\*\*\*\*

I certify that the dates of service in a North Carolina presbytery as listed above are substantiated by attached copies of actual minute references of the appropriate governing bodies.

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Date	Presbytery	Signature of Stated Clerk
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**KATE BITTING REYNOLDS FUND**  
**Synod of the Mid-Atlantic**

**Conditions for Participating in the Fund**

- A. 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.), Presbyterian Church in the United States of America 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.
- B. 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.
- C. Ministerial service in First Presbyterian Church Pageland and Salem Presbyterian Churches (located in South Carolina and subsequently merged into one church)<sup>1</sup> is included.
- D. 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.
- E. 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.
- F. 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. Any minister officially retired by a presbytery within the State of North Carolina who qualifies by other rule 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.
- 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.
- G. 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.

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<sup>1</sup> (Excerpt from Court Order "According to the ruling of the Judge of Superior Court of Forsyth County, N.C.; Synod of North Carolina, or any successor or predecessor Synod, provided that service by a minister in Pageland Presbyterian Church or Salem Presbyterian Church near Pageland, South Carolina shall, so long as such churches remain a part of the Synod of North Carolina or a successor...")

H. 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.

### **Method of Distributing the Fund**

The method of distribution of the benefits of the Kate Bitting Reynolds Fund shall be as follows:

A. The stated clerk of each presbytery shall notify each retired minister upon retirement of the benefits available from the Kate Bitting Reynolds Fund.

B. It shall be the duty of the presbytery stated clerk to furnish the Synod's stated clerk, two weeks prior to each meeting of the Certification Committee, a list of all members of the respective presbyteries who may be eligible for participation in the fund and who have properly applied.

C. Synod'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.

D. 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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