

# THE BUDGET OF CENTRAL FLORIDA PRESBYTERY

## PER CAPITA FUNDS

Per capita contributions from churches pay for the basic council functions of our church at every level beyond the session. These dollars fund the work of the Stated Clerk and treasurer, meeting expense, ecumenical partnership and legal expenses of our presbytery, synod and the General Assembly. The amount requested each year is based on the number of active members in all churches. For 2025 that amount is \$26.84.

- General Assembly: \$10.84
- Synod of South Atlantic: \$1.50
- Presbytery: \$14.50

### **Central Florida Presbytery's share of the per capita budget helps provide for the following:**

- Quarterly Presbytery meeting expenses
- Council and Board of Directors expenses
- Office rent and insurance
- Financial operations (Finance Manager's work)
- Presbytery's Stated Clerk operations
- COM, CPM, Committee on Representation expenses
- Special committee expenses related to the Stated Clerk's work (such as administrative commissions)
- Legal and audit expenses
- Commissioner expenses to the General Assembly (not covered by GA)

### **The Synod of the South Atlantic's share of per capita is used for expenses related to:**

- Fulfilling constitutional and administrative responsibilities (Permanent judicial commission, review of presbytery records)
- Facilitating conversation between the councils of the church
- Annual Synod meeting and Executive Commission meetings
- Stated Clerk and Treasurer's operations
- Legal expenses

### **The General Assembly's share of per capita is used as follows:**

- Biennial meeting expenses, committees, commissions, task forces, etc. ("Churchwide Ministries")
- Office of the Stated Clerk (Office of the General Assembly)
- Mid-Council ministries (example: Church Leadership Connection)
- Presbyterian Mission Agency/Board administrative operations
- OGA Shared services with PMA
- Ecumenical and Ecclesial Ministries
- Uncollected per capita from previous years

## **SHARED MISSION SUPPORT**

Shared mission contributions pay for all program expenses including reaching out to the world in mission and in new church development and supporting the ministry of our churches with resources, programs and staff to provide communication, consultation and pastoral care.

**Unless designated, CFP divides shared mission contributions as follows:**

- **Presbytery mission: 79%;**
- **Synod mission: 1%;**
- **General Assembly mission: 20%**

In Central Florida Presbytery, through these funds, all churches join together in supporting:

- Assistance to local congregations with programs and training including stewardship and leadership development
- Partnership with local congregations in the calling and support of pastors and other church professionals
- Special assistance to ministers and candidates for ordination
- Operation of your Presbytery Resource Center which provides print and media resources for local church
- Education and programs
- Church Development through matching funds for new church development and programs to strengthen the outreach of existing churches
- Shared mission work including hunger ministry and other compassion ministries, global missions advocacy and mission trips
- Youth ministry
- Operation of your presbytery office
- Support of the mission of the Synod and General Assembly including the support of missionaries, hospitals, schools and other programs in countries worldwide

## **DESIGNATED ENDOWMENT FUNDS**

Designated funds are those dollars given and maintained for specific purposes. These funds are separate from the operating budget of the presbytery and can be spent only in accordance with the purpose for which they were established and/or the wishes of the donors' wishes. Designated funds include:

- Presbytery Endowments
- Property, Plant and Equipment
- Outreach Fund/John Calvin Fund
- Capital Replacement
- Mission Program Fund
- Church Builders Fund
- Scholarship Fund for Church Vocations
- Contingent Fund
- Genevieve E. Lange Scholarship Fund
- Ministers Aid (Clergy Emergency Fund)