

## **African American Giving Circle Membership Guidelines**

- **Memberships: Individual, Church, Non-Profit (representative to vote)**
- **Make a one--year commitment is encouraged (renewed annually)**
- **Attend quarterly meetings by zoom or in person, as possible**
- **Vote in person or by zoom (select a designated representative for shared votes)-no proxies**
- **Membership dues deadline: February 1, 2022**
  - **Full year equivalent of \$50 monthly or \$600 one-time contribution**
- **Grants from the Giving Circle are coming from the community of giving circle members who will identify needs and extend invitations to apply to select area ministries and Christian non-profits**
- **Ministries and non-profits that are funded must wait a year to reapply.**
- **Educational Lunch & Learns – learn about Sharing God’s Goodness Giving Circle and community needs/programs benefitting African Americans**
- **Geographic Area: Local is defined as greater Chattanooga (including N. Georgia)**
- **Grant Amounts: Discretion of Leadership Committee**
- **Considerations for grants:**
  - Is the project:**
    - **A frontline Christian Ministry that shares the gospel through its work?**
    - **Led locally by an African American or directly impacting lives in the local *Christian* African American Community?**
    - **Meeting specific needs through an area 501 (c) (3) or church?**
- We do not fund:**
  - **Event sponsorship**
  - **Capital Campaigns**
  - **Salaries**