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## Mission Memo

NM Annual Conference  
Board of Global Ministries

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### Share in the Excitement of Missions!

#### Conference Board of Global Missions Objectives:

- 1) Encourage all churches to become missional & engaged in life-changing events
- 2) Strengthen mission projects within the New Mexico Annual Conference.

#### Specific Goals for 2016

Increase Missions Visibility  
Conference-wide by

- Encouraging Cinco Estrellas applications
- Creating District Support criteria
- Encouraging applications for Sively & McCreless grant monies
- Creating 'evaluation criteria' for Conference Advance Specials
- Communicating the existence of and opportunity for supporting Advance Specials at the District level
- Encouraging participation in Volunteers in Mission opportunities and
- Advocating for a Volunteer position to support NM Conference VIM activities.

## Sively and McCreless Grants Application Due Dates **Extended to March 15**

**Sively Grants** are awarded to organizations and churches for significant work in disaster relief, rehabilitation after disaster, root causes of hunger and refugee ministries.

**McCreless Endowment Fund Grants** support mission projects within the NM Annual Conference that serve the needs of children with an emphasis that reflects United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) values and goals.

Obtain applications for Sively and McCreless Grants  
from the Annual Conference offices

11816 Lomas Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87112

- OR -

download them from the Conference website

[www.nmconfum.com/Conference-Services-Boards/Grants-and-Scholarships/](http://www.nmconfum.com/Conference-Services-Boards/Grants-and-Scholarships/)

- OR -

call 505-255-8786 for an application package.

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## Apply by March 15 for Cinco Estrellas Awards

### **Note: Due Date is earlier than previously announced**

to allow timely review of applications, compile CBGM's report to Annual Conference, and prepare award certificates for presentation. **Because this is the first year of the change, CBGM is happy to work with and make allowances for churches who may not be able to meet that deadline this year. Please contact Rev. Mike Stahl to express your interest in recognition; and we'll be happy to assist you!**

### ***Does Your Church Meet 5 of these 8 Criteria ?***

1. Support World Service and District Missions through *Second Mile* giving in the amount of \$3 per average worship attendee.\*
2. Support the Conference Mission Project/s financially or in kind.
3. Financially support an Advance Special at each of 3 levels – Conference, National and International. See the 2015 Conference Journal, page 221, for details.
4. Observe One great Hour of Sharing with a financial offering.
5. Participate in a Volunteers in Mission Trip – 1 person per 100 average worship attendance.
6. Engage in a Local Mission Project (Food Pantry, Home Repairs, etc.) benefitting your community.
7. Share a Local Mission story with the Conference via the Mission Memo ([bjharde1@msn.com](mailto:bjharde1@msn.com)) or Conference e-News ([Frontdesk@nmconfum.com](mailto:Frontdesk@nmconfum.com)).
8. Support Methodist Missionaries around the world.  
\$5 per church member per year earns Cinco Estrellas credit.

\*Modified to accommodate the 2016 "Tithing" approach to Shared Ministries.

Submit applications by March 15, 2016 in writing to Rev. Mike Stahl  
PO Box 410, Fort Sumner FUMC, Fort Sumner NM 88119  
Or or via e-mail at [pastormikestahl@aol.com](mailto:pastormikestahl@aol.com)



## Annual Conference Special Giving Opportunities:

See full details in the Offering Booklet at <http://www.nmconfum.com/Quick-Link-Pages/Annual-Conference>



**Mission Mountain** — Community Kitchen Food Bank in Roswell  
Bring these items, requested by the Food Bank, to Conference with you!  
Large Cans: Green Beans, Corn, Tomatoes (diced/crushed), Chicken, Tuna  
Dry Items: Pinto Beans, Pasta (all kinds), Kool Aid  
Supplies: Paper Napkins, 12 oz Clear Plastic Cups, Plastic Forks  
[www.endnmhunger.com](http://www.endnmhunger.com) OR [facebook.com/endnmhunger](https://www.facebook.com/endnmhunger)

**CCYM Camp @ Sacramento** — Camps at Sacramento are an integral part of how the Conference Council on Youth Ministry (CCYM) carries out its mission. **Send a kid to camp!**

**Santa Elena Mission** — Minister to children of the Tarhumara Indians from the Copper Canyon in Mexico near Creel. These children live in extreme poverty and endure discrimination, exclusion and marginalization from the majority population. Help to cover everyday living expenses. <http://www.facebook.com/SantaElenaMission/timeline>

**South Congo Episcopal Area 2 in 1 Mission** — Donations are shared equally between the Lord's Mountain Orphanage (children orphaned or made vulnerable as a result of HIV/AIDS) and Mulungwishi Theological Seminary (\$3,000 funds student tuition plus spouse & children's education, medical care, housing, food and stipend.)

**Explore Your Calling** — *Exploration* is a biennial, three-day event for young adults ages 18 to 26, to help you make an informed and prayerful decision about pursuing — or not pursuing — a path in ordained or licensed ministry.