

GuideStone Retirement

As a premier church plan benefits provider for nationwide evangelical churches and ministries, GuideStone® is uniquely qualified to help enhance the financial security and resilience of the Global Methodist Church®. We understand the compassionate care you have for your employees and are committed to equipping you with flexible solutions and competitive pricing, all guided by our shared Christian values.

We will design an effective retirement plan to accomplish your goals and prepare your employees for successful retirement.

Five distinctions set us apart from other providers and highlight the enhanced service and experience that the GM Church and your employees will receive with GuideStone.



- 1 Shared Christian Values**
 - We share a commitment to Kingdom work as a trusted Christ-centered advocate stewarding and simplifying the retirement journey.
 - We are honored to serve those who serve the Lord®.
- 2 Faith-based Investment Options**
 - GuideStone has investment strategies that align with your Christian values.
 - By advocating for the faith-based values of life, family, safety, health, stewardship and advocacy, we represent each of our 250,000 members in the larger conversation of faith and Christian values.
 - As your plan grows, your organization can customize the investment portfolio to meet plan goals and objectives.
- 3 Experience and Expertise in Retirement Plans for Ministries**
 - GuideStone has decades of experience providing retirement services to evangelical churches and institutions with 403(b)(9) church plans.
 - GuideStone provides church plan documents that comply with all applicable laws and legislation, implementing updates according to newly introduced regulations.
 - GuideStone works with legislators in Washington to represent and protect church plans.
- 4 Tax Benefits and Customized Resources for Ministerial Employees**
 - GuideStone provides helpful ministerial resources and facilitates housing allowance for retired ministers (within IRS limits) as a unique tax benefit.
 - Your employees who qualify as a Minister for Tax Purposes can designate some or all of their retirement benefit as a tax-free housing allowance.
- 5 Enhanced Employee Education**
 - Employees will benefit from individual appointments, education tools, resources, customized webinars and access to advisory services to help them finish well in retirement.
 - GuideStone will develop an educational strategy that supports your organization and employees alike.
 - At GM Church, you will have a dedicated relationship manager. This individual will understand your ministry and work directly with you and your employees.