



Partners – everybody needs one! Or if you're like most of us, you probably depend on many partners to help you with chores around your home, projects at work and activities in your church. The

nice thing about having a partner (or two or three) is realizing that there is someone you can go to when you need more information, someone who can help you with another perspective or someone who can just point you in the direction you need to go, to find the answers you're looking for.

Some people might look at this picture and just see two girls selling lemonade. I'm guessing though, one of them probably likes to come up with ways to earn money, maybe likes to count money and she probably enjoys serving people while doing the other things, so she looked for a friend to help. For Mission Treasurers, Church Treasurers, Benevolence Treasurers, Financial Secretaries and some Pastors, your ministry is a combination of wanting to serve and using your talents in record keeping and reporting financial information accurately to your congregations. You may be the person who is asked to share the ministries being supported and where you are as a church family in your financial commitment to those ministries.

As your Regional Partners, we want to offer support as you serve in your church. If you need assistance in locating information related to remitting mission giving, employment taxes, church budgets, record keeping, good practices for handling offerings, finding out which documents should be kept with the church's important papers, how long you need to keep certain financial records and other things related to the business side of your church's life, we can be of help to you.

Ephesians 4:12 to train Christians in skilled servant work, working within Christ's body, the church,

It is hard to keep up with all the latest news about mileage rates for business driving, Medical Flexible Spending accounts and social security offsets for pastors, to name just a few things. But as partners we can seek to stay current with good information, have access to materials written by professionals in the field of church laws and be aware of resources that are available. Please contact me, Caryl Casey, ABCOPAD Regional Treasurer, 1-800-932-9442 caryljc@aol.com if I can be of help.

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1. Through your local congregation's weekly offering, by designating your gift to **ABCOPAD-Partners in Ministry**.
2. Through ABCOPAD's Online Giving option, available on the regional website (www.abcopad.org). Your church can receive mission-giving credit for your online gift.
3. Send your check (made out to ABCOPAD) to ABCOPAD, P.O. Box 421, Hatboro, PA 19040.



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