



# HEARTBEATS *of* FAITH

## Heartbeats of Faith Campaign

Heartbeats of Faith is the theme for the capital campaign to assure the viability of Disciples' Church-wide Health Care program. The General Assembly, in Portland, approved the \$5 million capital campaign.

The Church-wide Health Care program is the primary medical, dental, and vision insurance for more than 2,900 church servants. The program has been and must remain self-funded, meaning that premiums received from plan participants are used to cover claims. Previously no other resources in the church were available to equalize pressures on the program or expand wellness programs.

The Health Care Benefit Reserve Fund created by the campaign will aid the Church-wide Health Care program by managing program costs, sustaining program viability, and offsetting claims that exceed premiums. Any income earned from the Health Care Benefit Reserve Fund could be available to subsidize health care premiums for older (60+years) health plan participants, pensioners who have great financial need, and new church pastors; as well as support wellness programs for clergy and other church workers.

"Though the campaign is in its infancy, we are gratified that we have already received a few unsolicited pledges and donations. We invite all Disciples to prayerfully consider the gift they may be able to make to the health of the church," said William Bailey, campaign chairman, University Christian Church, Seattle Washington. The Rev. Fred Craddock, Cherry Log Christian Church, Cherry Log, Georgia is the campaign's honorary chairman.

"The Heartbeats of Faith campaign gives every Disciple the opportunity to help ensure the viability of the healthcare program of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Every gift is a testimony of where the donor's heart is in matters of strengthening the leadership of the church," said Bill Cowl, campaign director.

For more information or to send gifts and pledges log onto their web-site at [www.heartbeatsofffaith.org](http://www.heartbeatsofffaith.org). You can also contact the Pension Fund 130 E. Washington, Indianapolis, IN 46204, 317-634-4505.

The campaign will run through the 2007 General Assembly in Fort Worth.