

ARKANSAS DISTRICT UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH, INC.

-District Financial Plan-

***Please note:** The financial arrangement for UPCI ministers is two-fold: National dues and District tithe/dues.

1) **National dues** are determined by your classification of ministerial license and invoiced/paid to United Pentecostal Church in Weldon Spring, Missouri.

2) **District tithe/dues** is/are paid to Arkansas District United Pentecostal Church at www.arkansasdistrictupci.com or PO Box 250, Redfield, AR 72132. The General Constitution of the UPC requires all ministers to fully cooperate with the financial plan of their district or forfeit their credentials. In order to comply with this provision of the manual, the following will be adhered to by the Arkansas District Board:

Ministers are required to abide by the following district dues and tithing structure:

Local Licensed Ministers	\$20 per month
General Licensed Ministers	\$35 per month
Ordained Ministers	\$50 per month

or 100% of tithe on ministerial income, **whichever is greater.**

All ministers of the District are expected to cooperate with the plan at least quarterly as the Lord prospers. Note: You will not be invoiced from the Arkansas District office. Once a minister is considered delinquent, they will be assessed a late fee of \$25 (see below) and then further action will be taken as necessary (listed below).

It is understood that ministerial income includes salary, housing allowance, and any other allowance that is not reimbursement for actual business expenses.

Tithing for income derived from secular employment or business may be channeled through the local church at which the minister serves or attends.

PLEASE NOTE: Ministers who are not regularly compensated from the ministry, yet preach out occasionally, are to pay 100 % of the tithe on that ministry remuneration to the Arkansas District.

Honorary Ministers are ministers who have been granted official Honorary Status by the UPCI. Unless an exemption from dues has been granted by UPCI headquarters, honorary ministers are required to pay UPCI national dues but are exempt from district dues. If a minister has been granted an “honorary exempt status” from UPCI headquarters, they must still pay their annual life insurance premium to UPCI headquarters. Also, all tithe of ministerial income must still be paid to the Arkansas District.

Retired Ministers are ministers who have retired from full-time ministry. **Retired ministers 65 and older shall be exempt from their minimum monthly district dues.** Such ministers may continue to preach as requested from time to time and, if compensation is received as a result of their ministry, would tithe to the Arkansas District.

Exempt Ministers are ministers who have been granted written exemption from the requirement to pay national dues to the UPCI because of financial hardship or disability. Exempt ministers are not required to pay district tithe/dues to district and can pay tithing from ministry or non-ministry related income to their local church.

Evangelists who are established in full-time status and who derive their livelihood from the ministry are required to pay 100% tithe to the district and may receive a General Conference Rebate equal to 50% of the total amount received by the District for the preceding 12 months ending in June of each year. Rebates will be furnished upon written request to the District Secretary, and requests must be made at least 30 days prior to General Conference. The **evangelist** must state their intent to attend the General Conference and be in actual attendance at the conference. The Arkansas District acknowledges that the amount received from **evangelists** should be considered as a required business expense rather than a contribution for tax purposes since failure to remit the amount due could result in termination for non-compliance.

DISTRICT ARKANSAS DUES DATES AND LATE FEES:

- After 30 days, a **\$25 late fee** will be assessed to the amount owed to the district.
- After 60 days, a certified letter will be sent to minister asking for immediate payment of delinquent amount.
- After 90 days, termination of ministerial license.

The following schedule will assist you in knowing when your fee is due. We ask that you file this so you can refer to it, if necessary. To guarantee that your license isn't terminated, you must have payments postmarked by the last day of the grace period (see below). After that point, there is no guarantee. If you know that you are going to be a little late, please call or email us in advance and we can make sure you aren't "dropped". PLEASE NOTE: When you pay district dues *you are paying for the quarter coming up.* (i.e. - as noted below, the deadline for first quarter of year (January-March) is December 31, etc.)

Quarter	Due Date	Last Day/Grace period	After last grace day
1	12/31	01/31	\$25 late fee
2	03/31	04/30	\$25 late fee
3	06/30	07/31	\$25 late fee

4	09/30	10/31	\$25 late fee
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FAQ'S

I have secular employment and am not paid for ministry endeavors. To whom do I tithe?

Tithe to your local church and pay district dues as shown above. (At least quarterly)

I preach out occasionally and receive remuneration. To whom do I pay tithe?

100% of tithe from ministry income is paid to the Arkansas District.