



1—Project Name: Seasoned Saints Conference

2—If this grant is being requested on behalf of an external organization, what is that organization's name and connection with Texas Baptists? N/A

3—Please request the minimum amount needed—with a maximum of \$20,000 possible—in order to accomplish the project's goals.

\$10,500.00 (*budget attached*)

4—Overview: Give a one paragraph description of the project.

Whether you are a longtime deacon, a faithful usher, a retired professional, or a wise matriarch of your family, your leadership still matters. The Seasoned Saints Conference is designed to equip senior members of the church to embrace their continued role in advancing the Kingdom of God. Participants will receive practical tools and proven techniques to:

- Develop cross-generational ministry, bridging the gap with younger generations,
- Seek out and launch mission projects within their local communities,
- and build a mentorship ministry to invest in the next generation through their church's Sunday School or discipleship programs.

The Saints will also be given resources to help them navigate getting older and the challenges that come with aging.

5—STRATEGIC: How will this project make Texas Baptists stronger?

The reality is our senior members are often among the strongest financial supporters of our congregations. Their renewed sense of purpose helps sustain and expand church ministries. In turn, stronger, healthier churches can contribute more generously to Texas Baptists, fueling the cooperative efforts of the GC2 Movement and helping all churches across our state thrive.

6—SIGNIFICANT: What is the anticipated long-term impact of this project?

The long-term impact of the Seasoned Saints Conference is to:

- Encourage seniors to keep serving with purpose and to let them know they have continued value for the Kingdom;
- Build stronger connections between generations so that more of our young people see and feel a sense of community in the church;
- Equip seniors to lead local mission projects so they make an impact that goes beyond the walls of the church;
- Inspire continued generosity to support church ministries; and
- Strengthen the GC2 Movement across Texas

7—SUSTAINABLE: How will the grant help this project become self-supporting?

This grant will help this project to be sustainable by:
Shedding light on sometimes a forgotten generation in the church so that other churches would want to attend; and in their attendance will help offset expenses to make the conference self supporting.

8—INNOVATIVE: How will this project break new ground?

This conference is groundbreaking because it is geared towards serving senior members in our churches, which usually make up the majority of our churches but are often forgotten.

9—INVOLVING: How will the churches served by Texas Baptists be included in this project?

The churches served by Texas Baptists will be included in this project by:
Inviting their senior members to participate in the Seasoned Saints Conference across the state:

- Providing opportunities for church leaders to send delegates for training;
- Equipping churches with resources and toolkits to start cross-generational ministries;
- Encouraging churches to identify local mission projects that their seniors can lead;
- Offering follow-up coaching to help churches apply what they learn in training

How many churches will be involved? Approximately 40 + AAM Churches

10—INTERESTING: How will this project produce helpful stories and encourage donor engagement for future ministry support?

The project will encourage donor engagement for future ministry support by demonstrating that our seniors are still vital to the church and the community in many ways. Also, the project will demonstrate that seniors still desire to be engaged and contribute to God's Kingdom.

11—Has this project received previous TBMF grants? If YES, list years and amounts.

N/A

12—Is this request for an ongoing project with a new name? If YES, what was the former name of the project?

N/A

Budget For Season Saints

Honorariums for Facilitators of sessions	3,000
Host Event Cost	2,500
Food	1,000
Worship team	1,500
Marketing (Flyers, social media)	500
Travel for Guests	2,500
Gifts and give aways	500
Total	11,500