

Bereavement Program

The Bereavement Program is designed to support ITSDA Church members/families that have lost loved ones. In lieu of sending flowers, a monetary gift is sent on behalf of the ITSDA Church Family.

Guidelines

The amount ultimately depends on available funds, however, the current board approved amount is \$100.00 per member/family. The Bereavement Account is not supported by the Local Church Budget. The funds are sourced from Prayer Meeting Offerings and direct member contributions.

Recipients must be members of ITSDA Church and the deceased must be an immediate family member (spouse, mother, father, siblings and children). The total amount (\$100) will be paid directly to the individual member that has lost a loved one. However, if a family has lost a loved one (e.g. brother and sister lost their mother), the total amount (\$100) will be paid to the identified family spokesperson, or the total amount (\$100) will be split equally between the family members.

Other Funds

ITSDA Church members freely give to a general Funeral Assistance Account. The Funeral Assistance Account is not supported by the Local Church Budget. The Funeral Assistance Account funds accumulate from month-to-month, and are available for ITSDA Church members/families that have a demonstrated need. Requests should be submitted to the Pastor or First Elder.

ITSDA Church members might also be asked to contribute to special Funeral Assistance offerings. Such offerings are on an as needed basis, and all funds collected are submitted to the designated ITSDA Church member/family. Requests should be submitted to the Pastor or First Elder.