



## United Methodist Ministries Credit Union

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Dear Friends and Fellow United Methodists!

Your United Methodist Ministries Credit Union is excited to announce the expansion of membership to include lay members of local UM churches. Help us spread the word, so all can take advantage of this excellent opportunity, and make money for your church at the same time!

For every new member that your church recruits for UMM Credit Union membership, your congregation will receive a \$10 donation. (Must remain a member for at least 90 days.) Just have your folks mark the church name and town clearly at the top of their application forms. (This is an excellent project for your mission trip, youth group, UMW/UMM, etc., to use as a simple fundraiser.) The church in each category with the most new members by November 1, 2008, will receive an extra \$250 Bonus Award! (Two categories: churches under 250 members and churches over 250 members. Winning churches must recruit at least 10 new members.)

As a special incentive, all new members who take out a new or used car loan within the first 90 days of joining will qualify for an additional ¼ percent discount off the lowest loan rate they would normally receive. Enclosed you will find some interpretive materials to help you spread the word to your church members.

The UMM Credit Union is a non-profit service-oriented institution designed to be a genuine financial resource, just like the credit unions John Wesley himself began in England in the 1700s. Rev. Wesley would be amazed at our current offerings, such as internet banking and low interest rate Visa credit cards with no annual fee. But he would certainly approve of our willingness to help people who are struggling to rebuild credit with tools like secured Visa cards.

This is a real credit union, meaning that we serve those members who wish to build savings by using the money they invest to lend to other members who need to borrow at very competitive rates. This mutual benefit is enabled by a very knowledgeable and friendly staff that is eager to be helpful and willing to answer questions.

Please use the included announcement and enclosed insert masters for your newsletters and bulletins, make copies of the poster to place around your church, and check the website for updated information. Share the information at cluster, district, and conference events. (Put a link to [www.ummcu.com](http://www.ummcu.com) on your church website!) And of course, feel free to request more information and application forms for your church members' use.

Blessings!

The Rev. Dr. James T. Galbreath, Membership Chairperson