



## THE PASTOR'S RETIREMENT PLAN

The Church of Jesus Christ plays a crucial role in offering support to its members, particularly in ways that government programs, retirement income, and personal savings often cannot fulfill. This support extends beyond spiritual guidance and community fellowship; it encompasses financial stability, emotional well-being, and long-term security for both clergy and congregants.

One of the most pressing issues facing many churches today is the financial vulnerability of their leaders. Pastors and bishops dedicate their lives to serving their communities, often at the expense of their financial planning. Unfortunately, I have witnessed firsthand the heartbreaking consequences when these devoted leaders pass away without adequate insurance or financial resources. Their spouses left to navigate the complexities of grief and loss, often find themselves struggling to maintain their livelihoods in the absence of their partner's income.

In light of this reality, initiatives like Sikhona, Inc.'s Marketing Shares Rally for churches present a transformative opportunity for believers, particularly pastors, to secure a more promising future. This program encourages church members to invest in shares of Sikhona's stock, with the added benefit that Sikhona matches each investment with an equivalent contribution to the church as a gift. This innovative approach not only fosters a sense of community investment but also significantly enhances the financial stability of the ministry.

Consider the implications of this initiative: when church members actively participate in purchasing shares, they are not merely investing in a company; they are investing in the future of their church and its leadership. The funds generated through this program can be directed toward various needs, including retirement planning for pastors, maintenance of church facilities, and community outreach programs. By ensuring that there are adequate resources for the retirement of the pastor, the church can provide a safety net that allows its leaders to serve without the constant worry of financial insecurity.

Moreover, in the unfortunate event of a pastor's or bishop's passing, the shares of Sikhona's stock could serve as a crucial source of supplemental income to support the surviving spouse. This financial cushion can alleviate some of the burdens associated with loss, allowing the family to grieve without the added stress of financial instability. It is a tangible way for the church community to express its love and support for its leaders, ensuring that their sacrifices are honored even after they are gone.

By purchasing shares of Sikhona's stock, each member of the congregation positions themselves and their ministry for a more secure economic future. This collective investment not only strengthens the church's financial foundation but also fosters a culture of mutual support and responsibility among its members.