



## Five Reasons to Consider the Mutual Aid Sharing Plan

The Mutual Aid Sharing Plan (MASP) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that allows church-related organizations to provide a self-funded health plan while enjoying the pooled protection and leveraged purchasing power equivalent to a 1,000 employee organization.

### 1 Self-funding Advantages

Today, more than 60% of U.S. employers self-insure their employee medical benefits. That percentage jumps to 98% for organizations with 1,000+ employees. The growing trend of self-funding is due to a variety of advantages that include control and innovation. Additionally, self-funding eliminates the overhead and profit margin built into fully insured plans.

### 2 Transparency Aids Problem Solving

Lack of transparency is a major frustration with today's health plan environment. This includes the dearth of claims data provided by a fully-insured plan. Self-funded plans have full access to claims data—a prerequisite to addressing trouble areas with innovative solutions.

### 3 Mutual Aid

As our name suggests, the MASP is built on a foundational value of mutual aid. The practice of mutual aid provides the dual benefit of protection and reduced costs.

### 4 Partnership

Although the MASP's primary focus is health plan-related, the organizational networking provides a rich resource of knowledge sharing and partnerships among the 21 Christ-centered member organizations as they minister around the globe.

### 5 Proven History

History is scattered with novel solutions that burst onto the scene but fade into oblivion. The MASP was launched in 1969—the same year as the first manned mission to the Moon! The MASP's longevity coupled with the fact that several charter organizations are still members provides credibility to its enduring value.

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