

# News & Notes

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## Have questions? The FCMM website may have your answers.

Although it won't tell you why it is you park in a driveway and drive on a parkway, the FCMM website does have answers to other questions. Perhaps you have been wondering:

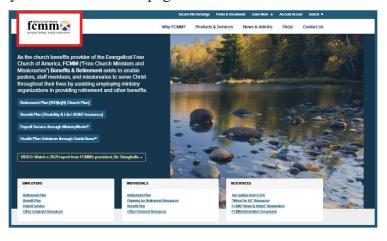
- How much can I contribute to my retirement?
- What products and services does FCMM offer?
- How do I start receiving benefits?
- How do I update my contact information?

While we are happy to field these questions and more via email or phone, you may find that the information you are looking for is readily available online.

### FCMM Homepage

It is recommended you always initiate your search from the FCMM homepage (www.fcmmbenefits.org). This is the "hub" for finding information and news.

An important feature throughout our website is the FCMM logo located at the top of the screen. Clicking on the FCMM logo from anywhere on our website will bring you back to the homepage.



#### **Finding Specific Information**

Being knowledgeable of the ways to find information on the FCMM website will make your search more productive. There are three main methods for locating information from our homepage:

- Headers
- Grouped Categories
- Keyword Search

#### Headers (Menu Items)

The website has several headers that appear at the top of the screen, pointing to resources such as Account Access, Forms & Documents, and Products & Services. If navigating from your mobile device, use the "Menu" link in the top right corner to view the list.



#### **Grouped Categories**

A relatively new element to our homepage is the addition of three grouped categories: "Employers", "Individuals", and "Resources". Each category lists subgroups that link to a variety of articles, news, and other related information. For example, if you want to better understand how to

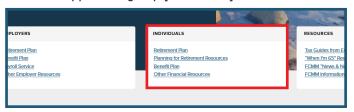


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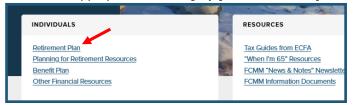
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change your investments:

1. Select the applicable group [Individuals].



2. Choose the appropriate subcategory [Retirement Plan].

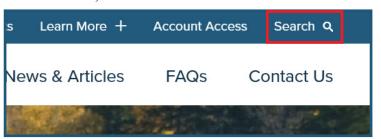


3. Review the content list for a link to a relevant resource.

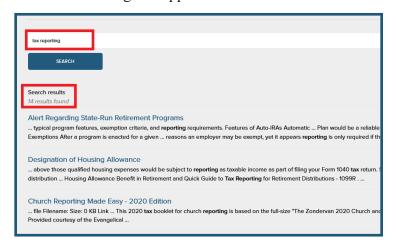


#### **Keyword Search**

For broad searches based on a keyword(s), you may want to try using our "Search" option found in the upper right corner of the homepage (within "Menu" for those using a mobile device).



It is important to note this search method will produce a list of <u>all</u> resources found on our website that contain one or more of the search words used, which may make this method a less targeted approach.



## Benefit Plan Open Enrolllment: September 15 - November 1

The annual open enrollment period for the FCMM Benefit Plan will be September 15 to November 1, 2023, for an effective start date of January 1, 2024.

The Benefit Plan provides affordable disability and life group coverage for pastors and support staff serving in participating organizations. In addition to long term disability, the Plan added an option of short term disability (called the "Plus" plan) in 2023. If a disability or death occurs, the benefit payments help the staff member with financial needs and give the church flexibility of resources to continue staffing for ministry.

The open enrollment period is the <u>only</u> time of year <u>employees</u> who missed their original enrollment date may enroll in the Benefit Plan. This is also the time during which <u>employers</u> may make changes to their Benefit Plan agreement, such as changing from Standard to Plus Plan, Life/AD&D coverage amount, payment method, or employee eligibility.

To review your organization's Benefit Plan options, please contact FCMM at benefits@fcmmbenefits.org or (800) 995-5357. See Benefit Plan in the Products & Services section of the FCMM website for more information.

