Subject 210

Earnings of Clergy

If you are a member of the clergy, you are taxed on offerings and fees for marriages, baptisms, funerals, and religious services, as well as on your salary. The fair rental value of housing furnished to you is not subject to income tax. If you are paid a specific amount that is designated as a rental allowance, that amount is not subject to income tax when it is used to rent or provide a home. If you do not use all of your allowance to rent or provide a home, you must include the unused part in your gross income.

If you performed ministerial services as an employee of a church, your salary will be reported to you on **Form W-2**. If you are claiming deductions for travel and transportation expenses related to your ministerial services, you must fill out and attach **AR2106**, Unreimbursed Employee Business Expenses, to your Form **AR1000F** or **AR1000NR**.

The amount of your expenses from **AR2106** is listed on Form **AR3** as a miscellaneous deduction. This amount is deductible only to the extent it exceeds 2% of your adjusted gross income.

You must report offerings and fees you received for marriages, baptisms, etc., and their related deductions on federal **Schedule C**, Profit or Loss from Business.