

## **Manse Inspection Policy**

COM will cover half the cost of Commercial home inspections for manses used by churches for compensation. The inspection should be done by a business located in the community of the church, chosen by the PNC and approved by the CSP subcommittee. (Approved August 2006)

If a congregation owns a manse and intends on using that manse as part of the compensation package for their next pastor then they are to have that manse inspected by a commercial home inspection service in their area. A Radon inspection shall be included in the inspection process. COM will cover half the cost of the home inspection and Radon test.

- COM will pay half of the expense of the initial inspection.
- COM will pay for half of the expense of a Radon test
- Any maintenance or abatement issues are the responsibility of the congregation.
- The commercial home inspector will be chosen by the PNC.
- The Churches Seeking Pastors (CSP) Subcommittee must approve the home inspector.
- Contact the CSP Chairperson with the name and phone number of the commercial home inspector that the PNC would like to use and the CSP will get approval hopefully within 24 hours.
- Manse inspections should be done fairly early in the vacancy process so that any needed work can be done before the new pastor arrives.
- This includes manses that are being listed as optional under housing or housing allowance.