

Plan Your Strategy for Giving

Your Giving Options

The most common donations are outright gifts, such as cash or a check, which the church receives right away. But many times, people want to hold on to their money and other assets for now, just to be sure they can meet their family's future financial needs. These people are usually delighted to learn that there are excellent alternatives that allow them to still make a gift. One of these options could be right for you.

They're known as "planned" gifts. They can be revocable—a charitable bequest in your will, for example—so that you can change your mind at any time. Or, they can be irrevocable—just as outright gifts are—so that you benefit from an immediate income tax deduction.

The attraction of irrevocable planned gifts is that they are deferred. You part with an asset today, but the actual giving of the asset to the church is put off for a while—often until after your lifetime (and that of a surviving beneficiary, if you wish). Until that time, you receive benefits from the gift. For example, with a charitable remainder trust, you receive lifetime income from the asset and it's placed in a trust, and then the church receives the remainder of the trust after you die. Or, you could deed the church a remainder interest in your home and still retain the right to live in it for life. At any rate, the key feature of planned gifts like these is that they provide the donor important benefits, as well as our church.

We can find a plan that is right for you.

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it."

Malachi 3:10

WE ARE ALL STEWARDS

While it is important for us to faithfully give to meet the day to day needs of His church, in-order to assure its long term sustainment – and with His will, we should all consider giving through the Endowment fund which may receive living gifts or bequests on our or a loved one's passing.

Ideas for Giving

- Time & Talents
- Regular Offerings
- Special Offerings & "Second Mile" Missions Giving
- United Methodist Committee of Relief (UMCOR)
- The Giving Tree & Local Mission Support
- Food Pantry / Clothes Closet
- Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD)
- Charitable Bequests
- Appreciated Assets i.e. Stock
- BUMC Endowment Fund

God blesses us in many ways. All he asks for in return is for us to be good stewards of His resources. Considering the blessings God has bestowed upon us when we leave this earth why don't we return to God some of what He gave us.

OF GOD'S MONEY

2 Corinthians 9:7

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."



The Ways of Giving



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