

Debt is devastating. We often talk about debt and financial issues, but the sooner we act, the more rewards there will be.

He becometh poor that dealeth with a slack hand: but the hand of the diligent maketh rich. He that gathereth in summer is a wise son: but he that sleepeth in harvest is a son that causeth shame.

—Proverbs 10:4-5

The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender.

—Proverbs 22:7

An inheritance may be gotten hastily at the beginning; but the end thereof shall not be blessed.

—Proverbs 20:21

Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.

—2 Corinthians 9:7

Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase:

—Proverbs 3:9

HERE TO HELP

Please contact us, and we will be glad to help. You can email us or call us, and we will point you to the resources you need.

Email

questions@nafwb.org

Online

www.nafwb.org/togetherway

Call us:

877-767-7659

When an individual gives to **The Together Way Trust**, the gift will continue providing financial resources to denominational agencies until the Lord Jesus returns. Contributions to the trust will build a strong, steady, and significant financial base for denominational programs in the years to come. **Give today, and let your gift continue to give long after you have passed away.**

— Dr. Melvin Worthington

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THE TOGETHER WAY TRUST

IT STARTED WITH \$100...

On September 30, 1982, the Executive Office received a \$100 check from Wilbur and Alma Worthington (below). The gift was originally known as the Worthington Trust, then the Cooperative Trust, and finally, **The Together Way Trust.**

That \$100 has been earning interest for Free Will Baptists ever since. After all these years, the gift has provided more than double its value to our ministries and will continue until the Lord returns. As Bill Evans says, **"Endowments are a great way for small gifts to make a big impact."**

Endowment gifts come in a number of ways. They can be offerings over and above tithes. They can come from churches who want to give a lasting, high-impact



gift. They can come from something one chooses to give to the trust. For example, an individual from Oklahoma gave 42 acres in Colorado to sell (pictured below), and the proceeds went into the endowment.



At the time of this brochure, the trust totaled \$67,849. On February 11, 2021, the Free Will Baptist directors set a goal of raising \$5 million for the trust. A modest estimate indicates that \$250,000 will be available to national ministries each year.

WHY AN ENDOWMENT?

With an endowment, the gift you give is never touched. In other words,

whether you give \$100 or \$1 million, the gift remains in the endowment as principal, and the interest is used for ministry.

This kind of giving can help Free Will Baptist national ministries avoid debt that could cripple outreach (Proverbs 22:7). Resources begin to work for the ministry. A \$5 million endowment would take pressure off the ministries, allowing them to rely upon an estimated yearly return. If the Lord tarries and people continue to give, the endowment would grow and should outpace inflation.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

The Together Way Trust was established to provide long-term financial resources for national ministries. The Trust principal will never be used, but the interest is disbursed based on a formula adopted by the National Association.

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—BILL EVANS