

Gifts Given in 2020 to Oklahoma Disciples Foundation Endowment Funds

Our first newsletter of the year is dedicated to the board members, congregations, individuals and organizations that generously supported the Oklahoma Disciples Foundation (ODF) throughout 2020. We thank each of you for your time, prayer, service and gifts. Endowment funds are permanent funds established by donors to extend the ministries of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Oklahoma. The following pages list all who made monetary contributions to the Foundation last year. Thanks to you... *Together We Touch Lives!* (Funds listed in **red** were newly established in 2020. Funds listed in **blue** benefit the Foundation's annual Grants Program.)

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In Memory of Donna Fruechting.
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Marilyn Bohlender
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Richard & Peggy Ziglar

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Del City Christian Church

First Christian Church, Ada Memorial Endowment (Grants)
First Christian Church, Ada

First Christian Church, Ada Memorial Endowment (Texoma Camp)
First Christian Church, Ada

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In Memory of Joyce McNickle.
Bernie McNickle
Vicki Rose & Brian Jenner
In Honor of Vicki Rose & Brian Jenner.
Bernie McNickle

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In Memory of Papa Tom Bowers.
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In Honor of Kyle Maxwell preaching.
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First Christian Church, Stillwater
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Kyle Maxwell & Debi Powell-Maxwell
In Honor of Eric Gray.
Rev. Michael A. Oberlender
In Memory of Rick Young.
In Honor of Kyle Maxwell's Birthday.
Richard & Peggy Ziglar

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Bill Cress
In Honor of Pastor Eula Hledik for pastor appreciation month.
Dale & Holly Day

Millie A. Cress Memorial Fund (Western Oaks CC)
Bill Cress

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John & Jean Scott Gauldin
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(ODM Leave No Child Behind cont.)
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Jody & Pat Smith

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In Memory of Jerry Eugene Roth.
In Memory of Bill Jameson.
Kirk & Kathy Standridge

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In Memory of: Aubrey Baty, Vernon Cook, Carol Allen, Jean Amos, Millie Cress, Bob & Dorothy Ferguson, Jan Ketola, Larry McDown, Charles Mohr, Harvey & Rita Norris, Paul & Mary Pfeil and Bob & Fern Wyatt.
Adam & Stacey Vascellaro

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In Honor of Richard & Peggy Ziglar's gift of friendship.
Terry Heyer
In Memory of Jack Carpenter.
In Memory of Rosa Nicholls & Virginia Ziglar.
Richard & Peggy Ziglar

Custodial Fund Gifts & New Custodial

Custodial funds are non-permanent funds that provide for programs and projects of individual churches. Placing these type of monies with ODF allows churches more flexibility through varied investment options. These funds generally yield greater long-term returns than typical church funds, usually invested in low interest savings accounts or CDs*. Call the Foundation today to see how easy it is to create a Custodial Fund. During 2020, the following Disciples churches and institutions added to their funds or established new custodial funds (new funds are highlighted in red):

David Eck Memorial Maintenance Fund Central Christian Church, Enid

Disciples Retirement Community of Oklahoma (DRCO) Custodial Fund

FCC Moore Custodial Fund

FCC Stroud Custodial Fund

ODM Leave No Child Behind Custodial Fund

Ottis Cornelson Custodial Fund Central Christian Church, Enid

Phillips Theological Seminary Donna & Dave Killen Endowment for Student Hospitality Custodial Fund

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2020 Disciple Club Gifts

Disciple Club gifts underwrite the operation of the Foundation. These funds enable the Foundation to provide educational opportunities, assist individuals with stewardship goals, offer consultation with congregations on gift policies as well as provide asset transfer options and guidance for churches which are closing or downsizing.

Contact the Foundation if you would like more information on any of these programs or need assistance with gift planning.

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Steve & Patty Armbruster

In Honor of Rev. Sondra Ladd for pastor appreciation month.

David & Joy Baker

In Honor of Bob & Harriette Elliot, Rev. Don & Saramay Gibson and Dr. Harold & Martha Hatt.

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First Christian Church, Edmond

First Christian Church, Moore

First Christian Church, Perry

In Honor of Kyle Maxwell preaching.

First Christian Church, Stroud

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In Memory of Helen Harris.

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Kyle Maxwell & Debi Powell-Maxwell

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In Honor of Bill & Helen Chitwood.

In Honor of Pastor Tim Kowalski for pastor appreciation month.

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In Memory of Norma & Harry Rountree.

Robert O. Weitzel & Lois B. Lougee

Skip & De Wood

Tom & Nancy Taylor Woods

In Memory of Rev. Robert Elliott.

In Memory of Jim Pritchard.

"From 12/31/16 to 12/31/20, the principal invested in ODF named endowments has increased 30.5% while FMV (fair market value) has increased 62.8%. Our audited financial statements continue to show a steady pattern of growth in total assets." (View fund performance information at www.okdfd.org.) — Eric Gray

ODF Endowments and Miscellaneous Donations Generate \$100,000 for 2021 Grants Program

For the past five years, the Grant Committee has served as the hands and feet of Jesus by allocating annual grant funding among multiple applications. Each year, the number of grant applications increases, as does the amount of funding requests. This year, the Grant Committee had the opportunity to allocate \$100,000 in grant funds.

In turn, these funds support a wide variety of programs and missions of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) within communities in Oklahoma, Kansas and overseas.

This year the Grant Committee was pleased to award funds to 54 of the 59 applicants. Many of the programs were for feeding, clothing and assisting children, youth and senior adults as well as provide for mission work. A complete list of grant awards and the endowments funding the grants program can be found on the ODF website at www.okdfd.org, Grant Information tab.