

Together We Touch Lives

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Gifts Given in 2021 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 2021. We thank each of you for your time, prayer, service and gifts. Endowment funds are permanent funds established by individual donors, organizations and churches that have closed to extend the ministries of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Oklahoma.

The Foundation also offers Field of Interest Funds for donors wishing to support charitable giving within Disciples' Churches. This type of permanent fund generally provides immediate tax deductions with long-term tax-free growth that allows donors to make charitable gifts to the most appropriate need at the time of distribution.

The following pages list all who made monetary contributions to permanent endowment and grant funds last year. Thanks to you... *Together We Touch Lives!*

(Funds listed in **red** were newly established in 2021. Funds listed in **blue** benefit the Foundation's annual Grants Program.)

Association of Disciple Musicians

Ross & Claire Meredith

Burlington Christian Church Memorial Endowment

In Memory of Doris Armbruster.

Robert & Melva Armbruster

In Memory of Sam Otis.

In Honor of Alva First Christian Church.

Phyllis Otis

Camp Christian J. Alan and Mary Louise Gibson Lodge Endowment

J. Alan & Mary Lou Gibson

Central Oklahoma Camp & Conference Center

Kent Anderson

In Memory of Phillip Ellis.

Luke Ellis

Children, Youth and Young Adult Grants Endowment

Ross & Claire Meredith

Doran & Jean Myers Endowment

In Honor of Ruth Moore.

Larry & Janet Trentham

Endowment to Fund Grants for Youth & Children (2021)

In Memory of Sara Elizabeth Bowers.

In Memory of Logan Swearingen.

Brad & Julie Bowers

Bill & Judy Howard

First Christian Church, Edmond Mission Fund

First Christian Church, Edmond

In Memory of Joyce McNickle.

In Honor of Brian Jenner & Vicki Rose.

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Brian Jenner & Vicki Rose

Friendship Journeys

Linda J. Lawson

Grant Program Gifts

Anonymous

Sally Frazier

Jewell Endowment Fund for Practical Parish Ministry Skills

Thomas R. Jewell

Kyle Maxwell Fund

In Honor of Kyle Maxwell.

Brad & Julie Bowers

Michael & Darla Oberlender

In Honor of Kyle & Debi Preaching.

First Christian Church, Ponca City

In Honor of Kyle Preaching.

First Christian Church, Stillwater

New Covenant Christian Church, OKC

Kyle Maxwell & Debi Powell-Maxwell

Western Oaks Christian Church

In Honor of Kyle's 85th birthday.

Richard & Peggy Ziglar

Millie A. Cress Memorial Fund (New Covenant CC)

Bill Cress

In Honor of Eula Hledik for Pastor Appreciation.

Dale & Holly Day

Millie A. Cress Memorial Fund (Western Oaks CC)

Bill Cress

ODF Board "Cloud of Witnesses"

Eric & Elizabeth Gray

ODM Leave No Child Behind

First Christian Church, Ponca City

Jay & Mona Stevenson

Phillips University Legacy Foundation

Kirby & John Gould

Savannah's Legacy Fund

In Memory of Savannah (Sam) Stanley.

Amy Alexander

Debbie Blanke

Brad & Julie Bowers

Meredith Brown

Rebekah Cloyd

Keri Crutchfield

Amber England

Ernest Gillum

Mary Gillum

Deborah Grimes

Sandy Jenkins

Brian Jenner & Vicki Rose

Tim & Beth Kowalski

Lindsey Miller

Curtis & Shelly Moon

Celeste Musgrove

Jordan Peabody-Onumonu

Greg & Robin Plumb

JR Polzien

(Savannah's Legacy Fund cont.)

Shelby Shea

Kirk & Kathy Standridge

Rhiannon Sullivan

Erin Taylor

Shelly Zanolwiak

In Memory of Norma Porterfield and her young friend, Savannah.

Susan Evans

In Honor of Amber England, who loved her Savannah like no other.

Lindsey Miller

Merry Christmas sweet girl, from Meme & Pa.

Greg & Robin Plumb

In Honor of Savannah's mother Tina

Lucero on her 47th birthday.

Amber England

Senior Ministries

FCC Chandler Adult Sunday School Class

Texoma Christian Camp

In Honor of Pastor Tim Kowalski on

his Birthday & in Honor of his 10-year

Anniversary at Sulphur.

Kirk & Kathy Standridge

The Tabbernee Fund

James Mauldin

Oklahoma Conference of Churches.

Western Oaks Offering Legacy Fund

Anonymous

William E. and Millie A. Cress Ministerial Education Endowment

Bill Cress

Ziglar, Richard & Peggy Endowment

In Honor of Richard & Peggy Ziglar.

Brad & Julie Bowers

In Honor of Peggy's 88th Birthday

& the Ziglar's 63rd Anniversary.

Richard & Peggy Ziglar

In Honor of: June Carpenter, CCIO Staff,

Richard Duckworth, David & Teresa Emery,

Phil & Nancy Gray, Harvard Ave. Clergy Staff,

Tom Jewell, Bill & Connie English, Bernie

McNickle, ODF Staff, and Richard Skinner.

Richard & Peggy Ziglar

In Memory of: Lloyd Alexander, Mary

Bearden, Oscar B. Davis Jr., Richard

Duckworth, George Faulk Jr. and Sam &

Mary Howard.

Richard & Peggy Ziglar



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Custodial Fund Gifts & New Custodial Funds

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 2021, the following Disciples churches and institutions added to their funds or established new custodial funds (new funds are highlighted in red):

Christian Church of the Covenant, Enid
1) Custodial Activity Fund
2) Custodial Memorial Fund
3) Custodial Endowment Fund

Curtis & Thelma D. Horrall Memorial Fund
Central Christian Church, Enid

David Eck Memorial Maintenance Fund
Central Christian Church, Enid

Disciples Retirement Community of Oklahoma (DRCO) Custodial Fund

FCC Duncan Custodial Fund

FCC Perry Custodial Fund

FCC Midwest City Custodial Fund

FCC Stroud Custodial Fund

ODM Leave No Child Behind Custodial Fund

Phillips Theological Seminary (Custodial Fund for Multiple Gifts)

Stroud FCC Swann Gift

*Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

2021 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.

Steve & Patty Armbruster

In honor of Daniel U'Ren for his leadership & service during the COVID pandemic. — Bill Cress

Norman Dalke

In memory of Dick Duckworth & Wayne Majors. — Ron Eldridge

First Christian Church, Edmond

First Christian Church, Moore

In honor of Eric Gray's Preaching. — First Christian Church, Stillwater

First Christian Church, Stroud

In memory of Northwest Christian Church. — Betty Fulton

Frank & Debby Gresh

Gale & Marcia Hagee

In memory of Helen Harris. — Bob Harris

John & Toni Imbler

William & Connie English

Don Johnson & Tary Davis-Johnson

In memory of Patricia McKibbin. — Bob McKibbin

Kyle Maxwell & Debi Powell-Maxwell

Ross & Claire Meredith

Mickey & Pat Moery

Craig & Ruth Moore

John & Carol Peach

Bill & Betsy Richert

Randel & Dana Shadid

Gwen Shaw

In honor of Elaine Howsley. — Jody & Pat Smith

Ron Thompson

In memory of Spencer Nofziger, son of Ron & Kay. — Paul & Kay Thompson

Carl & Mary Tinnea

Sei Touthang

Robert Weitzel & Lois Lougee

Richard & Peggy Ziglar

From 12/31/17 to 12/31/21, the principal invested in ODF named endowments has increased 54.7% while FMV (fair market value) has increased 93.2%. Our audited financial statements continue to show a steady pattern of growth in total assets. (View fund performance information at <https://okdfdn.org> — Eric Gray

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Grateful for ODF Grants Program Celebrating Sixth Year

2022 marks the sixth year of the Oklahoma Disciples Foundation's Grants Program. We are very blessed to have donors and churches support the grants program by establishing permanent endowment funds or making unrestricted donations for grants. The needs within the community are formidable and the churches and congregations are stepping up to help feed, cloth, nurture and minister to children, youth, adults and senior adults. The grants fund a variety of programs and missions of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) within communities in Oklahoma, Kansas and overseas.

There is still time to apply for the more than \$126,000 in grant funds. Guidelines and a downloadable grant application are available online at <https://okdfdn.org>.