

Knollwood's Legacy Giving

Over the years, just as Knollwood members have made the spiritual decision to pledge generously each year to support Knollwood's annual ministry, many have made provisions to provide for God's work after their passing by making a legacy gift to Knollwood.

Some have made legacy gifts for missions to Knollwood's **Celebration Fund**, an endowed fund. Income from this fund provides support for emergency or immediate needs, special projects of Knollwood's missions partners, students training for Christian vocation, and other local, national, and international mission causes.

Other generous Knollwood members have supported **program ministries** including youth, children, senior adults, or music; **leadership development** for staff or lay leaders; or **capital improvements and expansions**. Still others decided not to designate a particular area but donate to the **Discipleship Fund** which is used for the most pressing needs in supporting Knollwood's mission.

"Each one should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

2 Corinthians 9:7



Our Heritage

Since its founding in 1957, Knollwood Baptist Church has been growing a legacy of faith in Jesus Christ. The eighty charter members began this legacy. Today, Knollwood embodies Christ's love and is the beneficiary of the faith and generosity of its members.



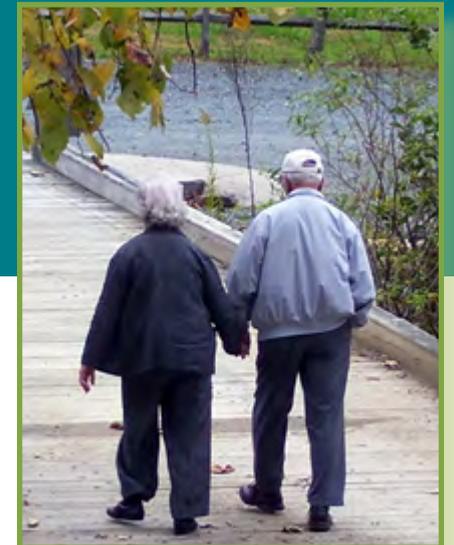
Grow Your Legacy

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Value of Legacy Giving

Often, Knollwood members who have made provision for legacy giving to Knollwood say they have found a sense of peace and a greater connectedness to God. As you consider what God might be asking you to do now and in the future, consider legacy giving that:

- Enables you to extend your faithful stewardship beyond your lifetime.
- Provides you a way to leave a witness to your faith in Christ and your love for God.
- Affirms Knollwood as a trustworthy steward of God's Good News for all people.
- Inspires generosity in this lifetime and beyond.
- Ensures that future generations receive faith experiences like those that have molded Christian lives at Knollwood since 1957.

“For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.”

Matthew 6:21

Creating Your Legacy of Faith

Leaving a legacy gift to Knollwood is something everyone can do, regardless of financial circumstances. Perhaps you have accumulated assets in the form of stocks and bonds, retirement accounts, insurance policies, real estate, or other property. In addition to ensuring financial stability for others through your will, you could choose to honor God and create your lasting legacy of faith by supporting the ongoing ministries of Knollwood Baptist Church at your death.

Growing Your Legacy

Consider what matters most to you about Knollwood and her service to God. How could your hard-earned money strengthen the church and spread the Gospel? It might provide:

- Scholarships that can change the lives of individuals and families.
- Support for local, national, and international missions.
- Enhancements to Knollwood's campus to make it more inviting for guests and members.
- More staff resources to broaden our ministry to children, youth, families, senior adults, and the underserved.



How Do You Establish a Legacy Gift

There are a number of options for you to consider:

Designate Knollwood in your will. You can specify a dollar amount, a 10 percent tithe, or another percentage of your assets at your death.

• Name Knollwood as the beneficiary of a life insurance policy or retirement account.

• Donate appreciated stocks or real estate. There may be significant tax advantages which your tax adviser can explain.

• Establish a trust. It can provide a way to both meet the income needs of your family today and to fulfill your desire to support Knollwood beyond your lifetime. The North Carolina Baptist Foundation website (www.ncbaptistfoundation.org) has examples of how faithful Baptists have used trusts to care for loved ones and support the ministries of the church.

Next Steps

Pray.

Give prayerful consideration to the needs of your loved ones and the legacy you could create at Knollwood Baptist Church.

Talk.

Consult with your lawyer and your financial adviser, if you have one. Or seek a Knollwood member with expertise in these matters for advice. Perhaps a conversation with a minister will reveal where your dreams and the mission of the church meet. Feel free to start by contacting our church administrator, Marlin Yoder, at marlin@knollwood.org, or 336-725-1343.

Act.

Create a will or amend your existing will. Change a beneficiary on an insurance policy or financial account.

Communicate.

If you establish a legacy gift for Knollwood Baptist Church, please advise the church. You don't need to reveal an amount of support. Members who make provisions to support Knollwood after their death will be recognized, unless they prefer to remain anonymous.