

PURPOSE OF THE FOUNDATION

The Foundation is the trust agency of the Montana Southern Baptist Convention and has full legal authority to carry out the program assigned to it.

The Foundation was created to serve the Convention and its institutions. However, it has no control over these institutions. It is independent of the causes it serves but is totally committed to their best interests.

The purpose of the Foundation is to receive, invest, manage, and distribute monies and/or properties given for support of any institution, cause or agency related directly or indirectly to the Montana Southern Baptist Convention. It serves any person who wishes to contribute money, stocks, bonds or property to any Baptist institution under will, trust or annuity. Trusts and annuities usually provide the grantor with a charitable deduction plus income for a specific number of years or for life. The income may be designated to a person or persons other than the grantor.



“Honor the Lord with your wealth...”

Proverbs 3:9 NIV

MANAGEMENT OF THE FOUNDATION

A board of Trustees elected by the Montana Southern Baptist Convention supervises the management of the Foundation. The Trustees must be members of cooperating Baptist churches and are selected on the basis of personal commitment, integrity, business ability, and experience. One-third of the Trustees are elected each year, and the by-laws require that two-thirds must be laypersons.

In addition to the Trustees, the Executive Director of the State Convention, the President of the MT Convention and the Chairman of the Executive Board are non-voting advisory members.

The Executive Director/Treasurer of the Foundation oversees the work and handles administrative responsibilities as well as providing guidance to individuals and institutions in the area of Christian estate planning. The Board of Trustees makes Administrative and investment policies

“A generous man will himself be blessed..”

Proverbs 22:9 NIV

SERVICES OF THE FOUNDATION

Information and counsel about making a Christian will or establishing a charitable trust are available upon request without cost or obligation. The Foundation staff is trained to be specialists in the area of charitable giving. They will be pleased to work with you and your will or trust.

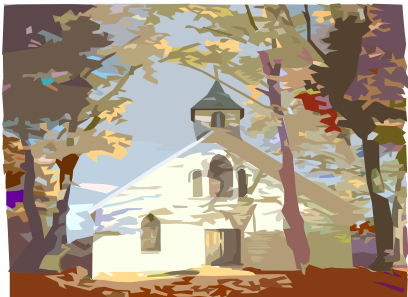
The Foundation also serves as trustee for various charitable trusts. These agreements provide a way for appreciated assets to be transferred to a trust and save capital gains tax. An income is paid to the donor or some specified person. Current income and estate tax savings are also realized, but, most of all, there is the satisfaction of knowing that the Baptist cause that was loved and supported during life will always receive financial aid. When Baptist causes are named, these services are provided without cost to the donor. Specific information concerning charitable trusts is available upon request.

Often a church or association invites a representative from the Foundation to speak on such matters. There is no charge for these services.

NEEDS OF THE FOUNDATION

Your Foundation exists to minister and to serve; its purposes are fulfilled only when it has opportunity to do so. The goals and needs of all the institutions and agencies become its concern. To meet these concerns:

- **Your Foundation needs people-** people who are interested in continuing their Christian stewardship through the proper use of their accumulated possessions.
- **Your Foundation needs opportunities-** opportunities to present its services and ministries. Church and Association conferences are available upon request. Personal inquiries are always welcome and are handled in complete confidence.



Your Foundation needs to be used- so long as there are....

- Missions to be planted, churches to be helped, students who desire to learn, people who yearn to minister, lost persons without Christ, Christian stewards who...
- Desire to give, are interested in saving taxes, want to have a part in a special ministry "till Jesus comes."



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A Southern Baptist ministry

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