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Our Mission

Our mission is to support and expand the ability of all Disciples ministries to worship, witness and serve. We do this by identifying and resourcing donors who desire to make a difference through planned gifts, and by assisting Disciples ministries to be good stewards of their gifts through sound policies and prudent investment services.

Our Core Values

Integrity

Honesty, transparency, full disclosure and the ability to fulfill our commitments.

Commitment to Excellence

Continually working to improve our services and processes and to be responsive to the needs of donors and our church.

Stewardship

Serving as trustee for donor and church dollars with the same level of commitment and care that we would have for our own resources. Understanding our purpose for being as a ministry to serve and to benefit all of the ministries of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Fiduciary Responsibility

Prudent and diligent oversight of funds under management. Commitment to treat each donor dollar as a sacred gift, requiring the highest level of care.

Partnership

Working to support all of the ministries of the church. Serving as an honest broker to connect ministries and donors for the benefit of the Gospel.

The Christian Church Foundation, Inc., is an integral part of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). It is included in the group listing of the General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Inc., which carries Tax Exemption Number 1125.

A listing of the General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) can be found on page 1235, Volume 2, of the CUMULATIVE LISTS OF ORGANIZATIONS Publication 78 (Rev. 9-2004), described in Section 170 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

The complete set of 2015 financial statements, audited by BKD, LLP, is available by calling the Foundation at (800) 668-8016 or by visiting our website, www.christianchurchfoundation.org.

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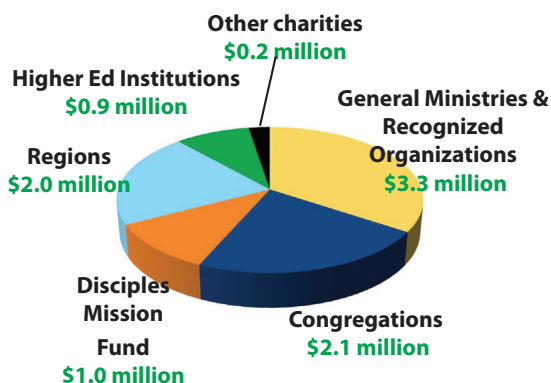
Gary W. Kidwell
Foundation
President



BY NEARLY EVERY IMPORTANT METRIC, 2015 WAS ANOTHER OUTSTANDING YEAR FOR YOUR CHRISTIAN CHURCH FOUNDATION. DURING 2015,

- Distributions for ministry from gifts administered by the Foundation totaled \$9.5 million — a new record. Over and above this amount are the dollars distributed by the partner ministries who utilize our investment services.
- Your Foundation received \$8.7 million — another record — in new permanent fund gifts from Disciples across the life of the church.
- Congregations, regions, seminaries, benevolent care, and general ministries placed \$34 million for investment management with the Christian Church Foundation.

TOTAL 2015 CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTIONS
\$9.5 MILLION
 from Endowment, Donor-Advised Funds
 and Life-Income Gift Residuals



As a financial ministry, numbers are important to us. Financial heft allows us to be a stronger partner for each donor and each ministry partner who entrusts the stewardship of their legacy gifts to us. This strength allows us to bear fruit, to distribute more funds for ministry, and to support our ministry partners in ways that increase their available funds for ministry.

The value we add, however, goes well beyond the numbers. The Christian Church Foundation is a financial MINISTRY. We walk alongside you as you plan and put into action your legacy. We help mentor your congregation in the art of planned giving. We are available to assist any Disciples ministry that wants to

“Cherry Log Christian Church successfully started the Legacy Partners Foundation in 2012 to provide an opportunity for our church members and friends to put plans in place for future gifts. The Christian Church Foundation was a valuable partner, walking with us each step of the way, providing important promotional materials and meeting one-on-one with people as needed to provide information so members could make the right tax-smart decisions for them – all at no cost to us. When we began, just a very few individuals had gift plans in place; today, we have nearly 50 members who are Legacy Partners. As gifts come to the Legacy Partners Foundation, it just makes sense to extend our partnership with the Foundation to include the use of their investment services. Endowment-style investing fits our needs, is in alignment with our faith values and Foundation results compete favorably with other investments. Letting the Foundation handle the investments allows us to focus on our church’s witness and encouraging new gifts. We appreciate the added value the Foundation brings.”

- Ida-Anne Clarke, layperson
 Cherry Log Christian Church,
 Cherry Log, GA



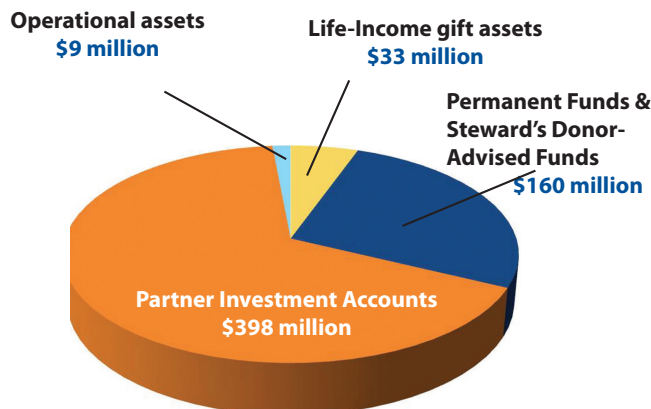
increase its capacity and outreach. We walk with congregations who have decided to close their visible ministry and help them put into place a witness that will live on. We manage investments that not only yield strong returns, but we manage them in a way that is consistent with our church's faith and values.

As we were completing the 2015 audit, we realized that this is the 50th anniversary of CCF audits. The Foundation's first audit in 1965 was four pages—including the cover letter. Distributions in 1965 totaled \$728 and our total assets were \$38,227. As you can see from our current financial statement on Page 9, the Foundation's growth over the last 50 years has been spectacular. The story of the Christian Church Foundation's growth is a collage of individual stories of faithful stewards and committed ministry partners. In other words, our story is your story!

Thank you for the gifts you make through us and the investments you place with us. Your gifts and your investments we hold in sacred trust. Your trust is something we will never take for granted. You can always depend upon us to serve you with integrity, transparency and a commitment to excellence. The value of your partnership to the Foundation's ministry is beyond measure.

Gary W. Kidwell
President

TOTAL ASSETS AS OF DEC. 31, 2015
\$600 MILLION



DARWIN COLLINS, GREAT LAKES ZONE VICE PRESIDENT SINCE 2008, retired from a 39-

year career in ministry that saw him serve as pastor, regional minister and general ministry executive. Darwin was honored by the Foundation Board of Directors in the fall of 2015.

During Darwin's tenure at the Foundation, more than \$52 million in gifts and new investments from the Great Lakes Zone were received. While the seeds for many of those gifts and investments were made by his predecessors, the church will continue to reap the benefit of the seeds Darwin has planted for many years.

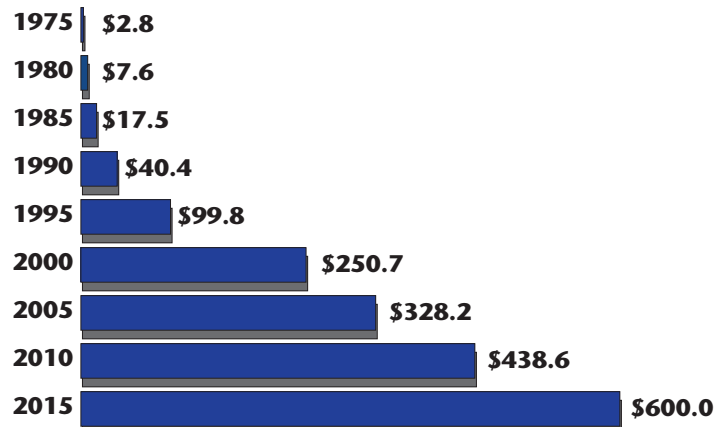


Darwin Collins receives the Honored Ministers Pin from his wife, Rachel.

Enrique Ocasio, based in Columbus, OH, is the new Great Lakes Zone vice president. Quique has more than 11 years of experience with the Foundation, working in both Investment Services and as a development officer. He has served in a variety of church leadership roles, including work as a new church pastor.

Enrique's experience and love for the church positions him well to serve in his newly expanded role. After long serving as a commissioned minister, Enrique was ordained into Christian ministry by the Christian Church in Ohio in 2015. Stewardship is part of his Puerto Rican heritage. He connects that faith discipline with a keen ability to listen to the passions of the donors and connect their gifts to ministry.

ASSETS UNDER MANAGEMENT (IN MILLIONS)





Rev. Suzanne Webb, Board Chair
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Rev. Fred Harris
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 M.Div., Vanderbilt University



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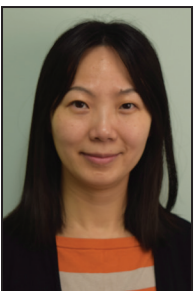
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THE YEAR 2015 WAS A CHALLENGING TIME FOR ALL INVESTORS. Slowing global growth, declining commodity prices and volatile currencies all contributed to a worldwide market decline.

For the first time since 2008, all of our funds posted negative returns. As the largest investor in the Joint Investment Trust, the Foundation is invested side-by-side with more than 700 Disciples partners who use this key stream of income to strengthen their ministries. While these periods of weak performance are frustrating, historically what follows is longer-term outperformance.

The Foundation offers Disciples congregations and institutions an investment solution for the church's long-term endowment assets. The JIT provides access to highly diversified and sophisticated investment portfolios that include an asset mix that would be unavailable to any ministry as a stand-alone investor.

At the end of 2015, the Foundation managed \$398.1 million owned by ministries of the church.

Ministries who hold partner investor accounts also benefit from many of the Foundation's other services, including active consultation and assistance in developing a planned giving ministry. Ministries also are joining the Foundation as a faith-based investor, seeking justice by engaging companies for responsible corporate behavior. We believe that working with company management is the most effective agent for systemic change. In partnership with other faith-based investors, the Foundation influences change by being a responsible shareholder, voting proxies, and bringing a moral voice to corporations in their boardrooms. Participants in the Foundation's long-term investment program have a voice in making the world a better and more just place.

Fund	Period ending Dec. 31, 2015				
	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	10 YR	Since Inception
Beasley Growth	-2.9%	7.1%	6.4%	4.4%	8.8% Dec. 1985
Common Balanced	-5.8%	3.5%	4.2%	3.9%	7.4% Dec. 1985
Campbell Multi-Strategy	-6.1%	4.4%	3.5%	NA	2.0% Feb. 2008
Brown Income	-7.6%	-0.9%	1.7%	3.2%	5.6% Dec. 1989



"In 2014, Central Christian Church was blessed to receive the largest single estate gift in our history. We chose to invest it with the Christian Church Foundation for two reasons. First, while our practice had been to invest bequests made to the church equally among two local investment firms, this bequest prompted us to evaluate their performances with greater scrutiny. Additionally, our trustees wished to adopt as new practice the consideration of the Christian Church Foundation for all future gifts made to the church. When performances were evaluated side by side, Christian Church Foundation was the clear-cut winner. Secondly, when the other local investment firms made their presentations to the trustees, they touted their firms' past investment results and the strategies they would employ with our funds. One failed even to mention the donor by name. When the representative from the Foundation presented, however, he began by talking about the donor as a person; about her character, personality and love for the church. Long before he mentioned anything having to do with her gift, he acknowledged her. That made a significant impact on the trustees. Our deliberation before deciding to invest with the Christian Church Foundation was really quite brief."

- Rev. Michael Karunas, senior minister
Central Christian Church, Decatur, IL

Christian Church Foundation, Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Financial Position
December 31, 2015 and 2014

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Assets		
Cash	\$ 414,645	\$ 338,448
Marketable securities and other investments	597,182,289	614,620,624
Property and equipment – net	309,988	301,551
Contributions receivable	1,506,059	2,327,379
Other assets	<u>248,953</u>	<u>431,851</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 599,661,934</u>	<u>\$ 618,019,853</u>
Liabilities		
Non-endowment funds		
Partner investment accounts	\$ 398,148,095	\$ 406,595,302
Liability to income beneficiaries under life-income gifts	17,034,682	18,807,539
Liability to charitable beneficiaries under life-income gifts	6,079,126	7,168,394
Other liabilities	<u>793,883</u>	<u>692,124</u>
Total non-endowment funds	<u>422,055,786</u>	<u>433,263,359</u>
Endowment funds held for the benefit of others		
Managed for the benefit of the charitable entity donor	13,212,686	14,208,221
Restricted purposes for other charitable beneficiaries	<u>10,125,145</u>	<u>9,905,543</u>
Total endowment funds held for the benefit of others	<u>23,337,831</u>	<u>24,113,764</u>
Total liabilities	<u>445,393,617</u>	<u>457,377,123</u>
Net Assets		
Unrestricted	26,848,617	27,502,082
Temporarily restricted	<u>127,419,700</u>	<u>133,140,648</u>
Total net assets	<u>154,268,317</u>	<u>160,642,730</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 599,661,934</u>	<u>\$ 618,019,853</u>

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James P. Johnson Stewardship Award

- 2003 James P. Johnson**
- 2005 Central Christian Church, Decatur, IL**
- 2007 University Christian Church, Fort Worth, TX**
- 2009 First Christian Church, Bowling Green, KY**
- 2011 First Christian Church, North Hollywood, CA**
- 2013 Sandy Springs Christian Church, Sandy Springs, GA**
- 2015 Washington Avenue Christian Church, Elyria, OH**



WHEN WASHINGTON AVENUE CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF ELYRIA, OH, received the James P. Johnson Stewardship Award at the Foundation's General Assembly dinner, it was only appropriate that the church's pastor, the Rev. Dr. Janet Long, would be joined on the stage with Jim Johnson.

This was the same Jim Johnson who had served as a "generosity coach" for Rev. Long for so many years. She credits that coaching with helping her develop a wider vision of the spiritual discipline of stewardship and the need to create a culture of generosity.

The James P. Johnson Stewardship Award, named in honor of the Foundation's president emeritus, recognizes a congregation that has demonstrated leadership, creativity and integrity in answering God's call to faithful stewardship, including the faith discipline involved in the stewardship of accumulated resources.

Rev. Long says faithful stewardship leads to faithful outreach, which is the heart of Washington Avenue Christian Church.

Washington Avenue is a leader in giving through Disciples outreach. Overall, 13.7% of the congregation's annual budget supports outreach ministries. Disciples Mission Fund receives the largest share of those monies, making Washington Avenue No. 1 in DMF giving in the Ohio Region. Disciples programs and ministries receive 83.5% of the congregation's outreach budget.

The congregation's generosity also is shared in the Elyria and greater Ohio area. For example, a grocery cart in the church hallway receives weekly contributions of food items for a local charity whose volun-



The Rev. Dr. Janet Long, right, speaks to the Foundation's General Assembly guests after her congregation received the James P. Johnson Stewardship Award.

teer director is a faithful member of the congregation.

The congregation committed to tithing their debt reduction toward major gifts far beyond their doorsteps: for building a cabin cluster at Camp Christian, for building a Habitat Home in Elyria and for building improvements at Cleveland Christian Home. Those gifts totaled over \$132,000.

Most significantly, this congregation encourages and empowers its members to live out their stewardship and mission as witnesses in their community. When a woman of the church found \$400 at a local store and turned it in to the authorities, it was soon returned to her unclaimed. She gifted that to Rev. Long hoping it could become seed money to help others. That \$400 has blossomed into more than \$24,000 as both a part of their "Circle of Caring" to support Week of Compassion and a special fund in the congregation to help neighbors.

VIRGINIA G. SPRADLIN, RETIRED FOUNDATION
Treasurer and CFO, was named Treasurer Emeritus in 2015 by the Foundation's Board of Directors. The honor recognizes the significant contributions she made as the Foundation's first treasurer.

Hired initially as a part-time treasurer in 1983, she was named vice president in 1987. During her career, Ginny created an efficient and professional financial services division within the Foundation. Perfection was her goal, and her attention to detail and professionalism were at the heart of her work. She built a culture that insisted on thoroughly thinking through transactions, acting on behalf of donors and investors and getting it perfect before signing off on it as done.

She was an essential component when the Foundation's

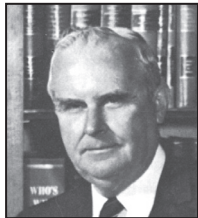
ministry created the Joint Investment Trust and opened its investment program and services to Disciples-related congregations, regions and institutions.

At the end of 2000, just months before her retirement in May 2001, the Foundation had grown to \$250.7 million in assets – an increase of nearly 2000% from when her work at the Foundation began. In 1986, when she began full-time work at the Foundation, there were about 250 named permanent funds. When she retired, the Foundation was managing nearly 800 named permanent funds.



THE HARRY T. ICE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE
Award was created by the Foundation in 1984 to recognize excellence in philanthropy within the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

The award honors Harry T. Ice, founder of the Indianapolis-based law firm Ice Miller LLP. Mr. Ice served on the original Blue Ribbon committee that led to the creation of the Foundation as a general unit of the



- 1984 James R. Reed
- 1987 Joe and Nancy Vaughn Stalcup
- 1989 Hannah Youngusband
- 1991 Marvin G. Osborn
- 1996 Sam and Mary Howard
- 2002 Evelyn and Hal Watkins

Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in 1969. He served on the first Board of Directors and was the Foundation's general counsel. He also held leadership positions within the Pension Fund, Christian Theological Seminary and other church entities. Mr. Ice died in 1982.

Award recipients demonstrate excellence in philanthropy and service to the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Past recipients are:

- 2004 Allan and Marie Brady
- 2009 Bill and Benny Robertson
- 2012 Huberto and Arlene Pimentel
- 2013 Virginia and Frank Winker
- 2014 Oscar Haynes

GIFTS SUPPORTING FOUNDATION OPERATIONS

N. Dwain and Virginia K. Acker
Anadarko Christian Church, Laneville, TX
Arthur L. and G. Elizabeth Buell
M. Dean and Judy Buffington
Daisy R. Chambers
Clifford E. and Loesje Chandler
Clinton Christian Church, Clinton, MO
W. Darwin and Rachel Collins
James W. and Shari A. Cullumber
First Christian Church, Auburn, IN
First Christian Church, Conroe, TX
First Christian Church, Emporia, KS
First Christian Church, Frankfort, KY
First Christian Church, Hastings, NE
First Christian Church, Honolulu, HI
First Christian Church, Kinsley, KS
First Christian Church, Marshall, MO
First Christian Church, McPherson, KS
First Christian Church, Monroe, LA
First Christian Church, Osceola, MO
First Christian Church, Quincy, IL
First Christian Church, Wichita Falls, TX
John R. and Kirby Hughes Gould
Granger Community Christian Church,
West Valley City, UT

Elizabeth L. and Russell F. Hallberg Foundation
Sue and Pat Hansen
Joe and Emily Hartman
Robert W. and Diane A. Hawley
Iglesia Cristiana de Deltona, Deltona, FL
Iglesia Cristiana (Discipulos de Cristo)
en Puerto Rico
Iglesia Cristiana (Discipulos de Cristo)
en San Patricio, PR
James P. and Nancy J. Johnson
Randy and Sandy Johnson
Gary W. and Judy H. Kidwell
La Segunda Iglesia Cristiana
(Discipulos de Cristo), Bronx, NY
Jerry and Ginger Lang
Lee's Summit Christian Church,
Lee's Summit, MO
Janet A. Long and Daniel D. Clark
Lori and John Lucas
North Texas Area, Disciple Women's Ministry,
Garland, TX
Enrique Ocasio and Carmen
Fernández-González
Larry S. and Nancy M. Pugh
Ridglea Christian Church, Ft. Worth, TX

William R. and Bennita M. Robertson
Robin Run Village Resident Council
Donald R. and Beverly L. Sarton
South Street Christian Church, Springfield, MO
SouthPark Christian Church, Charlotte, NC
Virginia Spradlin
Joe A. and Nancy Vaughn Stalcup
James E. and Caroline B. Sullivan, Jr.
Laird and Evelyn B. Thomason
Tanya J. Tyler
Union Avenue Christian Church, St. Louis, MO
Ted and Nancy Waggoner
Evelyn N. Watkins
Teresa Watkins
Ruth Weaver and Ryan Hazen
Suzanne Webb
Bruce S. and Ann C. Willard
Bob and Linda Williams
Rodney E. and Laura S. Witte
Woodson Chapel Christian Church,
Saint Joseph, MO
Sharon L. Worley and Thomas C. Rieves

NAMED PERMANENT & STEWARD'S DONOR-ADVISED FUNDS

MORE THAN 1,000 DISCIPLES HAVE DISCOVERED the joy of creating personalized endowment through the Foundation for the benefit of their congregation, regional camp, or other beloved local or general church ministry.

In 2015, a record **\$8.7 million was added to named permanent funds.** Donors established **29 new permanent funds, bringing the total under Foundation management to 1,482 funds.** Seven congregations extended their witness by using remaining assets totaling nearly \$4 million to undergird ongoing ministries through permanent funds. We now have a total of 88 Disciples legacy congregations have entrusted their assets to the Foundation to benefit the church's future witness.

A named permanent fund is easy to establish and to adjust as the donor's charitable interests grow or change. Congregations, especially those prayerfully considering difficult questions surrounding closing or transitioning their ministries, can rest assured that they will establish a legacy fund that can continue support of the ministries they love — and extend their witness for generations to come.

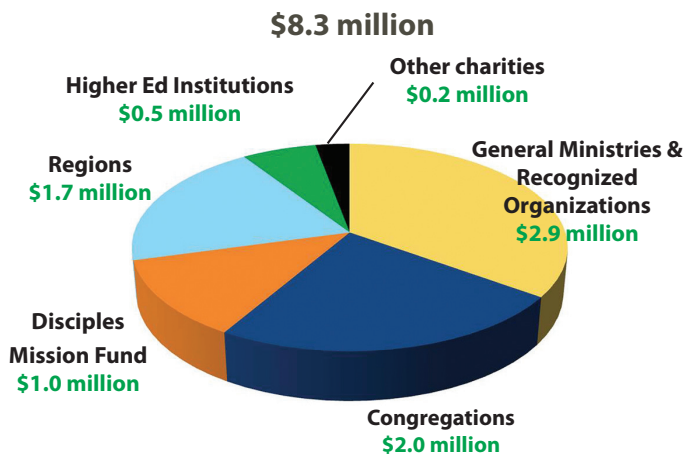
The stewardship of the funds listed on the following pages provides funding that supports and extends the ministries of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

The Steward's Donor-Advised Fund represents another option provided by the Foundation. This donor-advised fund can be funded with a gift of \$10,000 or more — with the donor retaining the right to advise the distributions of all funds held in their named Steward's Donor-Advised accounts. Donors contributed more than \$0.4 million to their Steward's Donor-Advised accounts in 2015. Funds administered by the Foundation are primarily for the benefit of the many and varied ministries of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

At the end of 2015, the **Foundation owned or served as trustee for \$160 million in endowment funds and Steward's Donor-Advised Fund accounts.**

The following pages list named permanent funds and Steward's Donor-Advised accounts, along with the names of donors who added gifts to these funds during 2015. If there is an error or omission, please contact us.

2015 DISTRIBUTIONS FROM PERMANENT, STEWARD'S DONOR-ADVISED AND DONOR-DIRECTED FUNDS



We invite you to join the more than 1,400 individuals who belong to the Christian Church Foundation's Fiers-Brown Society by creating a planned gift or permanent fund through the Christian Church Foundation.



The Fiers-Brown Society was

created in April

1995 to honor Disciples members or friends who have done one or more of the following:

- **Completed a life-income gift** with the Foundation (e.g. gift annuity, charitable remainder trust);
- **Established a permanent fund** with the Foundation for the benefit of a congregation, region, general ministry, institution or specific ministry of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ);
- **Completed beneficiary designations**, wills, trusts or other agreements that will create a permanent fund with the Foundation at some time in the future.

If you have done one or more of these activities, please call us at (800) 668-8016 to register your membership in the Fiers-Brown Society and receive your Certificate of Membership. The Foundation publishes a list of members of this Society biennially.