

General Endowment Fund

Established May 21, 1995

Early in the life of our congregation, in 1994, leaders had been exploring the possibility of establishing an Endowment Fund. Janet Wright's great aunt, Pauline Armstrong, had been following the progress of the new church through the church's monthly newsletter. She called from her home in Lincoln, Nebraska, to say that she wanted to establish an endowment with a \$5,000 gift. Shortly after, on May 21, 1995, a policy was approved and the congregation invested the church's first endowment with the Christian Church Foundation.

Returns from this fund are committed to the church's General Fund (not more than 15%), the church's outreach ministries (not more than 45%) and to any outstanding debt of the congregation (or, when there is not debt, to the General Fund, outreach projects or a building reserve fund).

Pauline not only established the church's first endowment with this gift. Through her insistence, she helped to shape practices that led to sound policies and the faithful management of future permanent funds—including the establishment of our Stewards Team. The following year, Pauline gave another gift to establish the Henry J. and Pauline M. Armstrong Endowment Fund.