

REPORT TO THE SECOND CANADIAN GENERAL CONFERENCE - 1993

Free Methodist Church in Canada
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Young adults today want preaching and teaching that is practical, related to issues they face in their personal lives. In our increasingly secular, humanistic society, wealth and possessions are often seen as the mark of success in life. The Bible is very practical and contemporary as it relates to issues of wealth, poverty, possessions, stewardship and discipline in managing resources. Sound financial planning begins with the recognition of the Lordship of Christ over all of our lives, including our finances. Practical holiness motivates us, as John Wesley taught, to earn all we can, save all we can and give all we can.

The Stewardship Director and his staff provide a number of services to individuals and churches.

1. Preaching and teaching on the biblical approach to money management, tithing, ethical uses of money, facing the poverty issue, etc.
2. Personal counselling in planned giving, assisting in estate planning: Wills, Gift Annuities, Trust Agreements, Charitable Life Insurance, Retirement Planning, etc.
3. Providing resources for local churches, in cooperation with Light and Life Press: brochures, booklets, books, videos/films, Stewardship Education materials, counselling resources, pastoral resources.
4. Meeting with official boards, finance committees
5. Establishing and management of trust funds, scholarship endowments
6. Storing and maintaining hundreds of Wills and other legal documents. Providing ongoing counselling to assist individuals in keeping their estate plans up to date.
7. Developing resources to assist local churches in promoting Canadian Global Ministries.

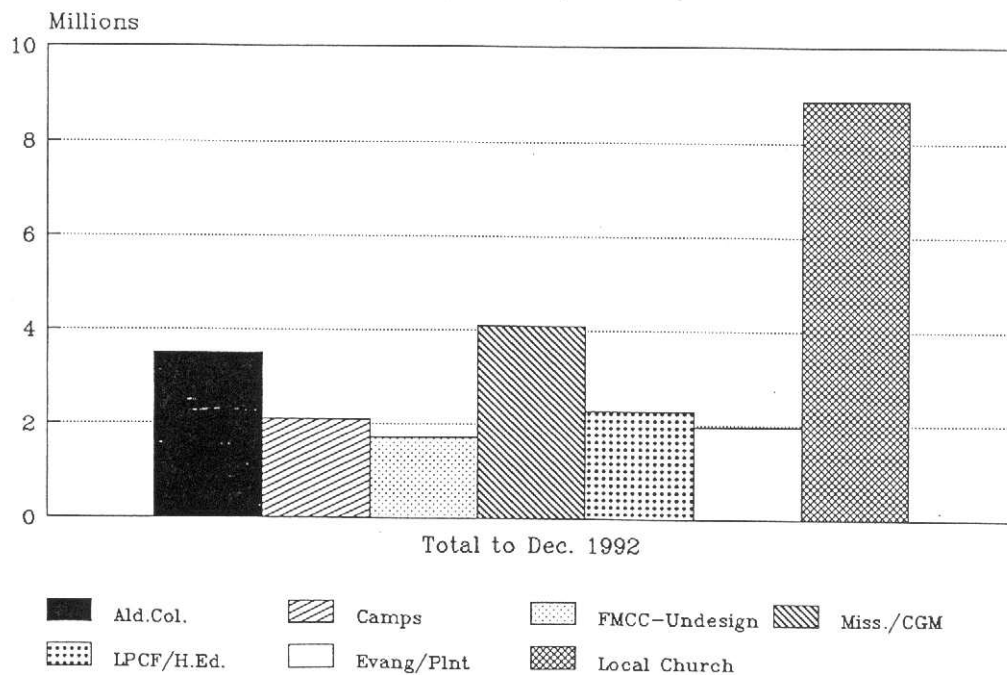
In 1992, the church and its related ministries received the largest response yet in matured deferred gifts with over \$590,000 from estates and annuities going to ministries across the church in one year. Almost 30 million dollars in total has been committed to Christian ministries through various gift planning opportunities. Much of this will come into the church in the next generation, helping to ensure a solid financial foundation for the Lord's work.

In a broader area, my responsibilities have included service as a resource person in missions and a board member for World Relief Canada. I continue to keep an active interest in the international ministries. It was my privilege to be part of an educational

team visiting the Philippines in January 1993 to inspect projects and gain insights into international relief and development, representing the World Relief Canada board of directors. Teaching an Aldersgate College course to pastors and other Christian workers in Montreal this year, and assisting in French translation, helped me to see again the great challenge and opportunity for ministry in Quebec.

I appreciate the help of my two assistants in the past year, Edna Snider and Ray Banks, and my secretary, Cheryl Hill. Let me extend a special note of thanks to Bishop Donald Bastian and Rev. Paul Johnston, and all our office staff whose fellowship and cooperation I deeply appreciate. As I begin my fifth year as Stewardship Director I shall continue to explore new creative ways of assisting churches and individuals in being good stewards of God's resources. All of this is to strengthen the church in its mission for Christ in the world.

Planned Giving FMCC Comparison by Major Beneficiaries



Accumulations to December 31, 1992

FREE METHODIST CHURCH IN CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNED GIVING
ALLOCATIONS VIA WILLS - BENEFICIARIES

MINISTRY	1977-1991	1992	TOTALS	% OF TOTAL
Aldersgate College	3,152,581.00	349,562.00	3,502,143.00	12.99
Aldersgate Homes	11,304.00	NIL	11,304.00	0.04
Bishops' Famine Rel.	216,246.00	39,491.00	255,737.00	0.95
Camping	1,930,788.00	169,044.00	2,099,832.00	7.79
FM Church in Canada	1,170,275.00	539,129.00	1,709,404.00	6.34
Annual Conf. Min.	71,984.00	NIL	71,984.00	0.27
CGM/Missions	3,886,239.00	218,020.00	4,104,259.00	15.22
LPCF/Higher Ed.	1,936,334.00	350,487.00	2,286,821.00	8.48
Canadian Futures	770,049.00	NIL	770,049.00	2.86
Evang./Church Pltg.	1,801,089.00	170,684.00	1,971,773.00	7.31
Loan Funds	179,763.00	NIL	179,763.00	0.67
Local Churches	7,878,169.00	1,000,894.00	8,879,063.00	32.93
Ministers' Pension	308,128.00	(3,383.00)	304,745.00	1.13
MISA	12,806.00	NIL	12,806.00	0.05
Miscellaneous	186,990.00	26,380.00	213,370.00	0.79
Home Ministries	96,984.00	29,460.00	126,444.00	0.47
*Youth Ministries	30,645.00	32,830.00	63,475.00	0.24
*Childcare Spon'ship	36,150.00	168,413.00	204,563.00	0.76
Planned Giving	175,730.00	16,506.00	192,236.00	0.71
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TOTAL - FMC	23,852,254.00	3,107,517.00	26,959,771.00	100.00
Other Organizations	1,213,658.00	748,999.00	1,962,657.00	
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GRAND TOTAL	25,065,912.00	\$3,856,516.00	\$28,922,428.00	

* New category in 1991.

These are deferred gifts. Values are based on current donor estimates.

PLANNED GIVING YEARLY COMPARISON REPORT TO 1992

	#WILLS	C.EAST	C.G.LAKES	C.WEST	BC/PNW	TOTAL
1977	7	35,320				35,320
1978	20	159,440				159,440
1979	15	165,918				165,918
1980	28	548,242				548,242
1981	176	1,882,064	128,706	672,240		2,683,010
1982	205	1,271,224	735,003	1,393,381	358,374	3,757,982
1983	212	826,668	1,141,905	628,139	164,916	2,761,628
1984	155	521,723	277,672	573,123	792,061	2,164,579
1985	147	1,014,483	392,404	725,335	NIL	2,132,222
1986	165	968,227	121,270	261,657	NIL	1,351,154
1987	138	507,740	470,504	280,610	103,500	1,362,354
1988	68	673,227	176,320	9,910	216,535	1,075,992
1989	112	1,504,391	226,263	658,368	27,200	2,416,222
1990	101	972,317	276,680	713,563	1,000	1,963,560
1991	98	800,677	859,890	513,794	313,928	2,488,289
SUB-TOTAL	\$	11,851,661	4,806,617	6,430,120	1,977,514	25,065,912
1992	*120	2,586,384	301,287	506,211	462,634	3,856,516
TOTAL	1,767	14,438,045	5,107,904	6,936,331	2,440,148	\$28,922,428

* IN 1992, ALSO PREPARED 91 RE-WRITES AND CODICILS.

PLANNED GIVING INCOME 1992

	1977 TO 1991	1992	TOTALS TO DATE
IRREVOCABLE GIFTS			
GIFT ANNUITIES	476,600.00	12,000.00	488,600.00
OUTRIGHT GIFTS/DONATIONS	94,767.00	0.00	94,767.00
	571,367.00	12,000.00	583,367.00
MATURED DEFERRED GIFTS			
GIFT ANNUITIES	120,500.00	11,000.00	131,500.00
FREE METHODIST BEQUESTS *	953,313.00	579,352.00	1,532,665.00
TOTAL FOR FM MINISTRIES	1,073,813.00	590,352.00	1,664,165.00
BEQUESTS TO OTHER CHARITIES VIA FMCC	76,480.00	0.00	76,480.00
TOTAL MATURED GIFTS	1,073,813.00	590,352.00	1,664,165.00
REVOCABLE GIFTS (FUTURE DONATIONS)			
WILLS - FMC & OTHER	25,065,912.00	3,856,516.00	28,922,428.00
DEPOSIT GIFT AGREEMENTS	79,100.00	0.00	79,100.00
LOANS	32,700.00	0.00	32,700.00
CHARITABLE LIFE INSURANCE	349,300.00	0.00	349,300.00
	\$25,527,012.00	\$3,856,516.00	\$29,383,528.00

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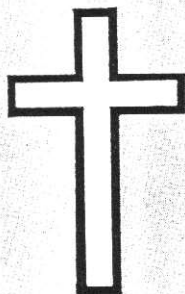
- * Bequests include funds received at the Free Methodist Church in Canada local churches, and other church related ministries. There may be additional income from bequests not reported to the Canadian Ministries Centre - FMCC.
- Total bequests include funds designated for other charities outside the FMCC.

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