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Title: CRITERIA FOR MEMORIAL ITEMS

Purpose: All things come from God and are to be used to His glory. Accordingly, the memorials that the Foundation receives are to be used to His glory. There are numerous ways in which the memorial gifts can be used and the family's wishes should generally prevail. Where the family has no particular preference for the designation of the memorial gifts, the following should be considered with the overriding criteria always being that the item be used to the glory of God. These are not meant to be absolute, but rather a guide as the Foundation deliberates the appropriate use of memorial monies.

1. Should **Benefit Many** . . . Not Just A Few People
2. Should Have A **Long Life** . . . Not Be Used Up Or Consumed
3. Should Be Of A **Permanent Nature** . . . Not A Temporary Thing
4. Should Be A **“Capital” Item** . . . Not A Normal, Budget “Expense” Item
5. Should Be Of **“Good Taste”** . . . Not Extravagant Or Opulent
6. Should Exhibit **Quality and Value** . . . Not Considered Cheap
7. Should Be **Visible** . . . Not Out Of Sight
8. Should Be **Environmentally Sound** . . . Not To Be Adverse In Nature

