

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## What is the Resurrection Foundation?

- The Church of the Resurrection Foundation, launched in 2002 as a separate legal entity, secures funding for the future mission and ministry of Church of the Resurrection. Already our Resurrection Foundation has set up funds to support seminary students, the music ministry, facilities, missions and other needs. Your Resurrection Foundation, through its benevolent donors, helps to ensure that the Church of the Resurrection will be able to continue its vision for ministry in years to come.

## How does my commitment to Church of the Resurrection's annual giving differ from a gift to Resurrection Foundation?

- The Resurrection Foundation, through its funds, "Secures the Future" of the Church of the Resurrection. The vision is the same...Changing lives, Transforming Communities and Renewing the Church. What differs is the timeframe. While annual giving supports the operational expenses of the Church and funds the annual budget, the Foundation offers a way for the church to address needs beyond those contained in the annual budget. Your contributions to the Foundation will allow the church to address needs of facilities, missions and ministries beyond what the annual giving will allow. As the Foundation assets grow and are distributed, the Church's missions and ministry can grow beyond the annual giving. Beyond looking to the future, the Foundation also provides an important resource in the Renewal of the Church through seminary scholarships to those Resurrection members on the path to becoming ordained pastors.

## How can I donate?

- You will typically hear about giving to charity through your will or trust, but there are many easy ways to remember Resurrection Foundation in your planned giving that do not require changes to your will or trust. Making the Resurrection Foundation the designated beneficiary of your life insurance policies, 401(k), IRA, and brokerage accounts is a simple, quick, and inexpensive way to achieve your charitable goals. Gift types vary and the Resurrection Foundation is equipped to accept all forms of assets – other types of assets include, but not limited to, real estate, personal property, and direct stock transfers.
- If interested, let the Resurrection Foundation know. Our Executive Director of Development is happy to discuss your charitable desires with you and/or your advisors. Simply complete the one-page donor declaration to inform us of your planned gift and its desired use when it's received in the future. You may contact Debi Nixon at, [debi.nixon@cor.org](mailto:debi.nixon@cor.org), or complete the online donor declaration at [www.rezfoundation.org](http://www.rezfoundation.org).

**To include Church of the Resurrection in your plans, use our legal name and Federal Tax ID.**

**Legal Name:** The Church of the Resurrection Foundation

**Federal Tax ID Number:** 05-0525052

**Does Resurrection Foundation accept gifts during the life of the donor?**

- The Resurrection Foundation gives donors the option for charitable giving during life as well as an outlet for giving at death. Donors who give during life get to see the benefits of their gifts.

**I have already established a will. How do I include the Resurrection Foundation in my future gift plans?**

- Regarding a will or trust, often times a small amendment can be made to your existing estate plan, but some circumstances require more. If your current planned gifts include Resurrection Foundation, let us know so we can fully understand your intentions. See also the “Ways to Give” materials for a more in-depth look.

**Can I start a new fund with my own donor intent?**

- Yes. The Resurrection Foundation Board follows donor input to set up funds that support funding for missions, ministries, and future needs. Each potential gift/fund is subject to the approval of the Resurrection Foundation Board of Directors on behalf of the Church of the Resurrection.

**What is the minimum donation?**

- There is no minimum donation to our general endowment funds. All gifts are welcome. If a donor wants to establish a new fund as referenced above, there is a minimum gift requirement of \$25,000. The Resurrection Foundation will work with donors in the design of a donor fund that fulfills their wishes while contributing to Resurrection Foundation's charge.

**What if I change my mind?**

- Until the gift is made (assets transferred), it is only a declaration of intent. If your intent changes at any time, you can modify the gift. The Resurrection Foundation recognizes that donor intent changes over time and can accommodate those changes.

**Is there any tax benefit to donating to the Resurrection Foundation or Church of the Resurrection?**

- Yes. Similar to the tax benefits from annual giving to the Church of the Resurrection and other charities, you will realize a tax savings based on your giving. The Resurrection Foundation is a tax exempt 501(c)(3) entity qualifying for deductibility. We encourage you to consult your tax advisor.

### **What is the John Wesley Society?**

- The Resurrection Foundation recognizes those like yourself who have chosen to include Resurrection in their estate or planned gift with identification of being in the John Wesley Legacy Society (JWLS). John Wesley was the founder of Methodism. For John Wesley, giving and stewardship was integral to Christian discipleship and served as a visible witness and expression of our love of God and neighbor. As a JWLS member, you join others who understand our giving is deeply rooted theologically and missionally.

### **What do I do if I have already remembered the Resurrection Foundation or the Church of the Resurrection in my will?**

- Contact: Debi Nixon, 913-544-0709, [debi.nixon@cor.org](mailto:debi.nixon@cor.org), or complete the online donor declaration at [www.rezfoundation.org](http://www.rezfoundation.org).