

# Planning a Gift for Missions



WORLD GOSPEL MISSION



## What can my gift do?

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Thousands of people from many cultures around the globe are serving Jesus Christ today because of the faithful stewardship of our many ministry partners. And as a result, World Gospel Mission (WGM) is able to send, train and support missionaries.

Gifts of cash make much of WGM's global ministry possible. However, the stewardship of investing in assets is also a vital source of funding for missions.

The following is a brief summary of several creative types of financial stewardship that can provide additional resources for spreading the Gospel and equipping new communities of faith. As you join God in His mission of changing hearts and lives throughout the world, we invite you to prayerfully consider making a significant gift for the mission and ministry of WGM through one or more of these special methods.



## A Gift through Your Will

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Leaving a gift to WGM through the provisions of a will can be an excellent way of furthering the spread of the Gospel. If you would like to specify that funds be used for a particular mission location or project, that request may be stated in the will.

## A Gift through a Revocable Living Trust

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A properly funded revocable living trust may eliminate the need for probate proceedings while still allowing you to retain lifetime control over your assets. As with a will, the living trust agreement may provide that property or funds will be distributed to WGM after your lifetime.



## A Gift of Stock

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In addition to providing funding for ministry, a gift of appreciated stock can provide additional tax benefit. Rather than selling the security and paying a capital gains tax on the increase in value, you will normally not owe any capital gains tax if the security is donated directly to WGM. In most instances, you can take an income tax deduction for the full amount of the security on the date it is donated.





## A Charitable Remainder Annuity Trust

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A charitable remainder annuity trust provides for periodic payment of income to you, or another person that you specify, for life or for a specific term of years. After that time, the trust assets pass to one or more designated charitable organizations, such as WGM.

An annuity trust makes fixed payments based upon the fair market value on the date the trust is established. Charitable remainder trusts which meet Internal Revenue Service requirements will qualify for an income tax deduction for you and will also qualify for federal estate and gift tax deductions.



## **A Charitable Remainder Unitrust**

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A charitable remainder unitrust is very similar to the annuity trust. The primary difference is that the periodic income payments to you or your designee are recalculated on an annual basis, determined by a fixed percentage of the value of the trust on January 1 of each year.





## A Gift of Life Insurance

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Donors can make WGM the beneficiary or co-beneficiary on an existing life insurance policy. By giving a paid-up policy, this can make a direct impact on WGM ministry and may provide you an immediate tax benefit.

## A Gift of Real Estate

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A gift of real estate can be done by giving a home, farm, or other property to WGM. As with gifts of stock, if the property is donated directly to WGM you will normally not owe the capital gains tax that would otherwise be imposed on the sale of appreciated real estate. Another option is to leave real estate to WGM at your death, while retaining a life estate interest in the property, reserving the use and income during your lifetime.

## A Memorial Gift

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With a cash gift, you can thoughtfully remember a departed love one. A family member of the deceased will receive a memorial card, and the money will be used to help spread the Gospel around the world.



# Get in Touch

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If you would like more information  
on any of these options,  
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