

# ***Dahlongega United Methodist Church***

## ***ENDOWMENT FUND***

***--- Faith for the Future ---***

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### ***What is the Dahlongega United Methodist Church Endowment Fund?***

*The purpose of the Endowment Fund of the Dahlongega United Methodist Church is to provide God's people the opportunity to participate in the work of the Church now and beyond their lifetime by allowing their gifts to be used to forever glorify God and perpetuate the spirit and witness of Dahlongega United Methodist Church*

### **The DUMC Endowment Fund is a permanent endowment trust that can:**

- Enhance ministry and outreach
- Help care for facilities
- Encourage us to be better stewards
- Provide a vehicle for giving

### **The DUMC Endowment Fund provides donors an opportunity to:**

- Make a permanent gift from accumulated assets
- Provide ongoing support for DUMC's many ministries
- Leave a legacy that will be remembered over time.

### **What makes this gift different from other forms of church giving?**

The *DUMC Endowment Fund* is a permanent endowment Fund. **Only its earnings will be spent.**

### **Can I designate a special type of gift?**

Specially designated gifts are a great way to show others how much you care about them and your congregation. These include:

- **Memorial gifts** made in remembrance of a family or a church member
- **Tribute gifts** which recognize special occasions such as anniversaries, achievements, retirements and promotions
- **Directed gifts** which are designed to fund specific ministries such as youth, missions, community outreach, building, to name just a few.



### **What kinds of gifts can be made to the DUMC Endowment Fund?**

There are many types of gifts that could benefit the *DUMC Endowment Fund*. A few of them are:

- Cash
- Real Estate
- Personal Property
- Stocks and Bonds
- Life Insurance
- Planned Gifts

### **What is a planned gift?**

A planned gift is a financial gift that is structured to serve the needs of the church as well as the donor. For example:

- **Gifts through wills**, also known as bequests, provide everlasting support to the church
- **Charitable gift annuities** provide payments for life to the donor, offer tax benefits and will ultimately benefit our permanent DUMC Endowment Fund.
- **Charitable remainder** and **charitable lead trusts** can grow the *DUMC Endowment Fund*.

**Are gifts to the *DUMC Endowment Fund* tax deductible?**

Yes, your gifts to the *DUMC Endowment Fund* are deductible for Federal Income Tax purposes. Bequests, life income gifts and other donations of value are generally exempt from Federal Estate and Gift taxes.

**Who administers the fund?**

The *DUMC Endowment Fund* investments are kept under the watchful eyes of the Georgia United Methodist Foundation’s investment committee, competent staff and professional investment managers.

The *DUMC Endowment Fund* Committee makes recommendations on how the fund’s earnings will be distributed and used.

**Can my gift be too small?**

Because all gifts are pooled in the fund, they have a cumulative effect making even the smallest gift significant. Every gift contributes to the overall growth of the principal amount, which compounds the return on investments.

**If you have other questions about the *DUMC Endowment Fund*...**

If you have additional questions about how you can make a gift...

If you are in need of guidance as you prayerfully make a decision...

*Please contact:*

Dr. Rev. Jeff Ross, Senior Pastor;

Rev. Christy Greenwald; or

Fred Vollbeer, DUMC Endowment Fund Chair

Call the church office at 706-864-2521.



*“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” Matthew 28:19.*

**Would you like more information on the *DUMC Endowment Fund* ?**

Please email [officedumc@dahlongaumc.org](mailto:officedumc@dahlongaumc.org) or detach this form and return to:

***DUMC Endowment Fund***

Dahlonga United Methodist Church

P.O. Box 455

Dahlonga, GA 30533

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Call during the morning \_\_\_\_\_

evening \_\_\_\_\_

- I would like more information about the ***DUMC Endowment Fund***
- I have already included the ***DUMC Endowment Fund*** in my will
- Please send me additional information on giving through:
  - A Will or Trust
  - Life Insurance
  - Real Estate
  - Securities
  - Planned Gifts

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