

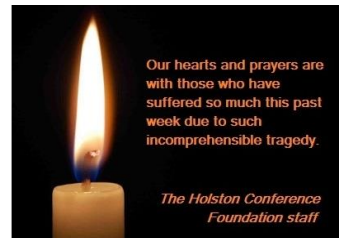


Circuit Rider Dispatch



Holston Conference of the United Methodist Church Foundation, Inc.

Our hearts are hurting for the physical and emotional victims of last week's Boston Marathon and the explosion in Texas. We are reminded that life is fragile, that no one knows when their time comes—whether through natural causes or through tragic and violent acts of man. May we hold those near to us more dearly and remember to have our estate wishes known to those we leave behind.



We look expectantly to the day that holy justice and peace reigns, finally removing the sting of death and the effects of tragedy in our lives.



Giving generously to the God who gave us life...

Take a deep breath, and hold it in. (Pause) OK, when you can't hold it any more, let it go. The air we breathe is a source of life, isn't it? But, if we try to keep that breath of air, and not give it back, bad things begin to happen. First, we are unable to breath in another fresh bit of life. Secondly, our bodies build up a toxic amount of carbon dioxide, and we die. It's the same way with our giving. Everything we have comes to us because of an interactive society and God's grace. When we fail to give back, we slowly die from our

lack of generosity.

From "Offertory Moments" by Bill Kilday, Director of Stewardship Click here to access the Stewardship [website](#).

Grant Deadline Extended...

The Holston Conference Grant Deadline has been extended from April 15 to **April 30**. More information on the grants available for youth and senior ministries, seminary scholarships and other ministries can be found by clicking [here](#).

Because of generous and visionary donors like Margaret Grizzell Loving of Bristol, Tennessee, who established an endowment in 1996 with the Holston Conference Foundation through her estate plan, over \$1,500,000 has been awarded to support senior programming ministries and scholarships in the Holston Conference of the United Methodist Church. Mrs. Loving's generosity and concern for senior citizens and young people has set a marvelous example of Christian philanthropy, which will benefit others in perpetuity. In the next few weeks over \$100,000 in Loving scholarships and grants will be awarded.



If you are interested in discussing how you can leave a lasting legacy of giving like Mrs. Loving and many others, please give us a call at 865-690-8124 or send an email to paulbowman@holston.org.

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What retirement planning resources do you recommend for women? I'm 58 years old, divorced and living on a tight budget. I need all the help I can get. [Read More](#)

YOUR PLAN

Linda Bird Wright

The Rev. Linda Bird Wright has been through so much in the last two years, one would expect her to... [Read More](#)

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Gifts may be given to any of the following: Area of Greatest Need · Ben St. Clair New Church Starts · Children's Ministry Endowment · Disaster Relief Endowment · Evangelism and Outreach Endowment · HC - Camping Scholarship Endowment · HC - College Scholarship Endowment · HC - Communications Technology Endowment · HC - Foundation Endowment · HC - Pastoral Counseling Center · Imagine No Malaria · Partners in Crisis Endowment · Senior Ministries Endowment · South Sudan Orphanage · South Sudan Wells/Sanitation · Stewardship Education · Youth Ministries Endowment · Youth Mission Scholarship · Wesley Foundations (campus ministry)

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