

Holston Conference of the United Methodist Church Foundation, Inc.

Brexit Smexit? Looks Like Over "Breaction!"

The June 23 shocking vote in the UK to leave the Eurozone caused a -5.4% breaction in the markets, but just days later the markets recovered. At the end of June every investment fund option offered through the Foundation was in positive territory YTD. Sometimes the new is frightening, politicians are upsetting and negative predictions make us want to do something. Staying the course requires us to turn out the noise.

YTD the **Balanced Growth Fund** is up **3.59%** and enjoys an average annual return of over 6% (which includes 2008)! The **Equity Growth Fund** is up **3.02%**, the **Intermediate Income Fund** is up **4.3%**, and the **Short-Term Income Fund** is up **1.94%**. Our best advice is to continue to invest long-term oriented funds in a long-term oriented fashion using diversification and a low-cost



strategy (primarily the **Balanced Growth Fund**) and to invest short-term oriented investments apart from stocks and long or intermediate bonds (primarily **Short-Term Income Fund**).

Click <u>here for June Performance</u> numbers as a well as options to consider investing through the Foundation. Please call us if we can be of any assistance to your church at 865-690-8124.



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REMINDER-FALL GRANT DEADLINE

September 30, 2016

The majority of the Foundation grants furthering United Methodist ministries were established through estate planning by thoughtful individuals who wished to leave a positive legacy. Should you wish to discuss establishing a fund through a testamentary gift from your estate please contact Paul Bowman or Roger Redding at 865-690-8124.

We invite local churches to submit grant applications which can be found on our website by clicking here. Ministries to seniors or that involve seniors in ministry are encouraged as the majority of funds available come from the Margaret Loving Trust.

Should you have any questions about the grant process please contact us at 865-690-8124.



Congratulations to Cedar Bluff UMC for their grant of \$2,500.00 for the Infant Mission program that meets the needs of hundreds of babies and children in their area.

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