



Circuit Rider Dispatch



Holston Conference of the United Methodist Church Foundation, Inc.



*Francois-Marie Arouet
(Voltaire)*

*“One day everything will be well, that is our hope.
Everything's fine today, that is our illusion.”*

So many churches in the Holston Conference are used to the *status quo* when it comes to handling their finances. It is a foreign concept to many finance committees, treasurers or trustees to consider **investing**, rather than **holding** church funds related to memorials, special use funds, scholarships or maintenance and improvement accounts. Why do they often have thousands of dollars in an account at the local bank down the street? Because for many churches it has always been done that way! Or they share an illusion that these funds are invested properly when they are in a bank account or CD. This is a very common conversation that the Foundation has with local church officers.

Consider this:

[The Balanced Growth Fund is up 6.65% YTD. The Short Term Income Fund is up .71%.](#) The average 3 month CD rate in the country today is .46%. Investing your church funds in the Holston Conference Foundation is an easy process with never a fee to open an account, close an account or have reports sent to the appropriate person. With a one page [account information sheet](#) your church can open an account today.

For more information on Holston Conference Foundation's investment options, or to schedule Roger Redding or Paul Bowman to meet with a committee at your church, click [here](#). We look forward to helping you consider changing business as usual at your church.

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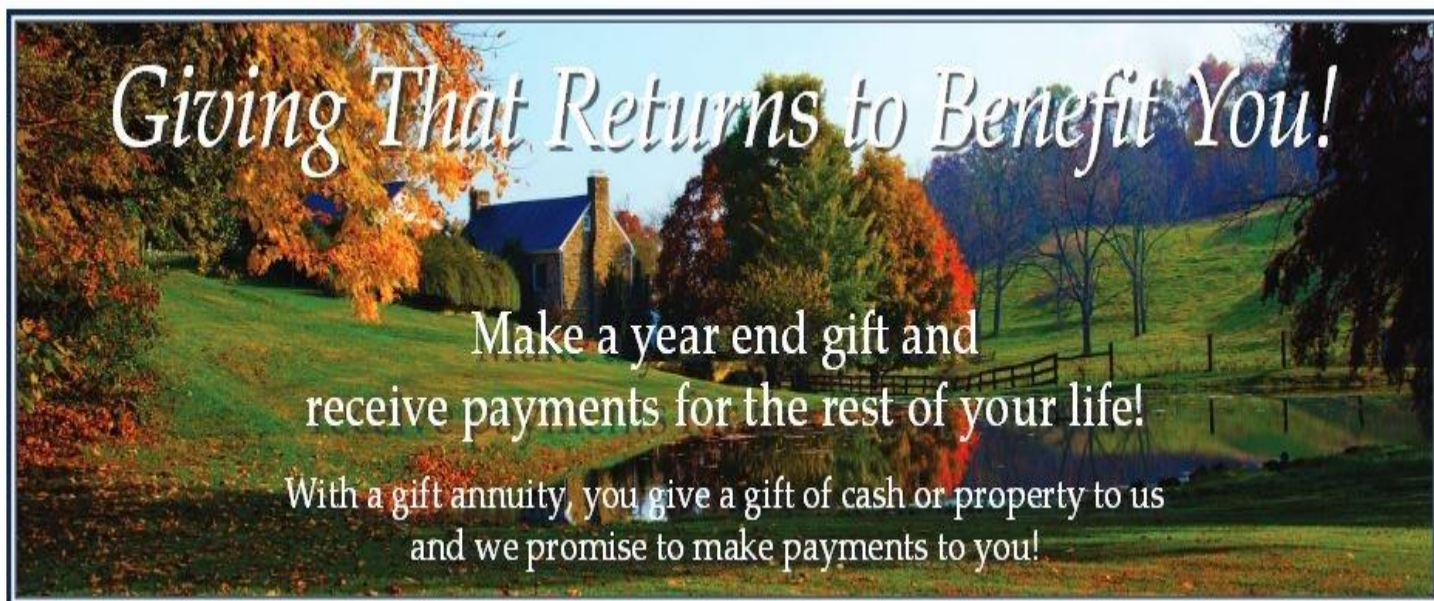
As the House and Senate return for the November lame-duck session, both leadership elections and tax extenders are on the front burner. Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY) will be the Majority Leader and Sen. Harry Reid (D-NV) will be the Minority Leader in the... [Read More](#)

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For a complimentary and detailed personalized proposal for you (and information for your professional advisor) please click [here](#). You may be amazed at how an asset that you have been holding on to as an investment can do so much good when turned into a charitable gift annuity!

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