ROOTED & REACHING
Deeper in Christ, Further into the World
First Presbyterian Church of Baton Rouge Foundation
Dear Friends,

While remaining firmly Rooted & faithfully Reaching, the Foundation enhances the ministries of First Presbyterian Church by growing local ministries, preserving and expanding our campus, and supporting global missions. The First Presbyterian Church of Baton Rouge Foundation was established in 1981 as a supporting organization to First Presbyterian Church to manage long lasting investments in our Christian future. As an IRS approved 501(c)(3) corporation, the Foundation strives to honor our heritage, support the present, and prepare for our future.

As we embark on the “Five in Five” initiative, Five million in Five years to secure our future and grow our endowment, I humbly ask you to consider supporting the work of the Foundation with a meaningful gift. A gift will gather the seeds of every gift and protect the future of First Presbyterian Church. An endowment gift is powerful and one of the most important long-term investments you can make. You can affect more lives today and tomorrow, leaving a legacy that will sustain God’s work for generations to come.

We are truly blessed by our inspiring past and what our founders have so generously shared with us, prepared for us, enabling us to call First Presbyterian Church our church home and family. As we reach further into the world and root deeper in Christ in our community, we are developing a strong foundation for the future of First Presbyterian Church. Together, we will confirm our love of Christ, our legacy and our future.

Gerrit S. Dawson  
Senior Pastor

John Crabtree  
Foundation President
**FOUNDATION MISSION**

The mission of First Presbyterian Church of Baton Rouge Foundation is to receive and manage gifts made to the Foundation endowment. The Foundation conservatively invests these funds to enhance the ministries of the church by providing support to our missionaries, seminary students, local ministries, church plantings and campus preservation and expansion. This support is over and beyond the operating budget funded by Annual Stewardship.

**FIVE IN FIVE**

The goal of the Trustees is to raise $5 million in 5 years in order to grow our endowment over the $10 million mark, enabling us to grow our ministries and extend our reach in our community and beyond.
We believe God has answered our prayers and blessed our church with a strong heritage, a growing congregation, and a vision leading us deeper in Christ and further into the world.

**Our vision** arises from our historic identity. Our church was founded in 1826. Over 190 years ago the first brick was laid, the first sermon was shared and the first congregation was formed. Our progress is a result of honoring our heritage, leading with faith and conviction with a dynamic congregation focused on God’s Word and mission of our church, our city and the world beyond.

**Our future** relies on you to focus our energy in a Christ-centered, missional direction in our community and beyond. We are blessed by our inspiring past and our prospering church community where God is already at work and calling us to join him in the future with deeper commitment.

**Together,** we would like you to consider your support for annual stewardship giving to the church and legacy giving to the Foundation.
ROOTED: Deeper in Christ . . .

Your gift will be used to provide support for campus preservation and development. Investments will help root First Presbyterian Church of Baton Rouge enabling our community to go deeper in Christ and further open our doors and hearts for the city as our founders did for each of us.

CAMPUS FUND: We have been blessed with a Sanctuary and chapel unique in beauty and functionality. It is ideally located on North Boulevard in the heart of the city. Our recently restored building and campus improvement are a testament to the commitment of our congregation to honor our rich inheritance and preserve our campus for future generations. The Campus Fund will be used to restore, improve, and expand the church owned campus in Baton Rouge upholding our presence and heart for the city.
DEEPER in CHRIST

Romans

Millennium Bible

Chapter 10 and 11

Who can bring good to them? And how can the

sent? As it is written, "No"
REACHING . . . Further into the World

Your gift will be used to provide support and extend the reach of our church through various programs and services in our community and throughout the world. Investments will secure outreach programs approved by the Session beyond the church budget which are strategic in nature and work in concert with our local and world mission partners.

VISIONARY FUND: We serve our community through Christian outreach of local and global missions to share our love for one another near and wide connecting our congregation with the needs in our city and beyond. The Visionary Fund will support missionaries in the field, church plantings, the development of Christian leaders and the creation of theological and educational materials supporting missional ministry. Investments to this fund will expand our reach developing, investing, and disbursing resources as we make a difference sharing the gospel further into the world.
FURTHER into the WORLD
WAYS to GIVE
Donors to the Foundation are acting out their love of God by sharing a portion of their accumulated assets. This sharing is over and above their annual giving to the church and could be the largest single gift they are able to give.

We encourage all members of First Presbyterian Church to remember the Foundation in their wills by designating a percentage of their estates or a specific dollar amount to the Foundation. In this way, our love for God’s Kingdom will be a part of fulfilling our vision to go deeper in Christ, further into the world.

**Current and Deferred Giving Examples**

- Bequests from a will or living trust
  - Cash
  - Charitable Gift Annuities
  - Tangible Property, art, stamp or coin collections
    - Life Insurance
    - Appreciated Securities
    - Real Estate
    - Memorials
- Benefits from an IRA or 401(k) retirement plan
- Contributions using a Donor Advised Fund
You can make an impactful gift sowing the seeds, enhancing what our founders have so graciously given us. Growing the First Presbyterian Church Foundation enables us to go deeper in Christ and further into the world. Let us help you create a meaningful gift and experience the joy of leaving that legacy which will lift up God’s Kingdom for generations to come.

**Heritage Society**

The Heritage Society honors those who have made a gift or legacy of $10,000 or more to the endowment or created an endowed gift for specific programs. Through their generosity, these individuals are helping the First Presbyterian Church of Baton Rouge Foundation build an endowment fund. The endowment supports the mission of First Presbyterian Church of Baton Rouge.

Members of the Heritage Society will be honored in perpetuity. Donors will be recognized on the Foundation website and in the annual report.

*First Presbyterian Church of Baton Rouge Foundation encourages you to consult with your financial advisor, attorney or accountant to discuss your estate plans as well as potential tax benefits for making your planned gift.*
MAKE a GIFT today
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Contact one of the Trustees listed below today for more information. We can assist you in developing the proper plan for you and your family. All discussions are confidential.

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