

FOUNDATION NEWS

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Just spend a few moments speaking with Mrs. Mildred Crawford and you'll know she is someone special, and that she comes from a family of generous people. Her father, a sharecropper, peddler of jewelry, barber and insurance executive had bought stocks over the years and only at his death did his daughters learn of his investments. Mrs. Crawford established the Bardie Breazeale & Mildred Crawford Scholarship Fund in honor of her father. The money from the stocks currently provides a scholarship for nursing students to one of our Mississippi Baptist Colleges.



Mrs. Mildred Crawford

In addition to that Fund, upon the death of her husband in 1997, she established the Ernest and Mildred Crawford Memorial Trust Fund with a small gift and has added to it regularly over the years. This fund will go as an unrestricted gift to the Baptist Children's Village. "Providing for young people who need help through life's journey is something I can do," said Mrs. Crawford, "and it's a great gift to be able to help the children."

Because of the vision and planning of Mrs. Crawford, many people will benefit and the Lord's work will be carried out for generations to come. "I highly recommend using the Foundation's services, and they have been so helpful," said Mrs. Crawford.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS			
October 13	11a.m. Kilmichael Baptist Church Kilmichael, Mississippi	Nov. 7	Chautauqua on the Beach Gulfshore Baptist Assembly, Pass Christian For more information call Dionne Williams at (228) 452-7261 or Glenn Shows, Discipleship Training, The Baptist Building
Oct. 29-30	MS Baptist Convention MS Baptist Foundation Booth/Display Stop by for information	Date	Your church - call today to set up
Nov. 5	North Oxford Baptist Church Oxford, Mississippi Senior Adult Luncheon "B.A.L.L. Team" For more information call Allen Harris at (662) 234-1101	<i>Looking for a speaker for your meeting? Would you like The Mississippi Baptist Foundation to make a presentation and answer questions for your group? If so, then call (601) 292-3210 today.</i>	

SPOTLIGHT



FEATURE

Gifts of Securities/Stocks

Can you make your current investments work harder? You can. By giving securities, or stocks you already own, you can contribute to the work that God is doing and avoid taxes that come when you sell your stocks.

If you currently have stocks, give the Mississippi Baptist Foundation a call to learn more about the savings available to you when you give stocks now or designate them to the Foundation in your Will. By doing this, you are able to contribute money to the area of the Lord's work you decide and receive tax savings. And, you can even continue to keep the income from your assets as long as you live.

God's word is filled with instructions to be good stewards of what is given us and for us to excel in the grace of giving. With planning, you can become a good steward. Call us at the Mississippi Baptist Foundation to let us tell you how. And remember, it is not how much you give, but the heart by which it's given. Even small gifts, wisely invested, can make a large difference and be used in God's future plans.

Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you. Luke 6:38

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Thank You For Giving To The Lord



We want to express our appreciation to each donor who has established a scholarship fund with the Mississippi Baptist Foundation. You are special to us and to many young men and women who could not have pursued their Christian education without your gifts. When you made a decision to begin a Scholarship Trust Fund you made a statement to these students that "I CARE"! We wanted to share other comments from students attending college or seminary that we received:

"WOW! That is all I can say. Praise God for your financial help with seminary. God has truly used you to make seminary possible for me."

"I want to thank you for your support so that I may further my education in music and serve God with the talent and ability HE gave me."

"Receiving this scholarship has reminded me of God's promise in Hebrews 6:10: God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown Him as you have helped His people and continue to help them. Thank you for being an instrument of His love through this financial gift."

"If it were not for your support through the past two years, it would have been a very big struggle for me to have obtained a degree from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary."

"This act of giving on your part has made me even prouder to be a Mississippi Baptist."

If you are interested in preparing the way for young men and women to receive a Christian education through a Scholarship Fund — Please contact the Mississippi Baptist Foundation.

Are you searching for Financial Security? Economic Freedom? Charitable Giving Opportunities?

If you are like most individuals, you long for the safe harbor of financial security, economic freedom and charitable giving opportunities. Through a comprehensive set of skillfully drafted estate planning documents, you can light a lamp that will dispel the darkness of an uncertain future by directing the distribution and/or the management of your hard-earned estate assets, produce a perpetual flow of financial support for your family and loved ones as well as create a lasting legacy for yourself or someone else. Other important goals that can be accomplished with a carefully crafted estate plan are:

- ✚ Control all your property including its management, accumulation, and distribution.
- ✚ Allow you to leave explicit instructions for the care of your loved ones including protective trusts for your surviving spouse, parents, young children, disadvantaged children, adult children, or grandchildren.
- ✚ Keep your affairs private and confidential.
- ✚ Provide federal estate tax planning.
- ✚ Perpetuate your lifetime giving patterns by supporting your designated charitable organizations in perpetuity.

Since 1943, the Mississippi Baptist Foundation has been a keeper of the light by assisting individuals in the highly specialized area of charitable estate planning. If you want to light a lamp and continue to brighten the lives of your loved ones and the ministries that you value, give the Foundation a call.



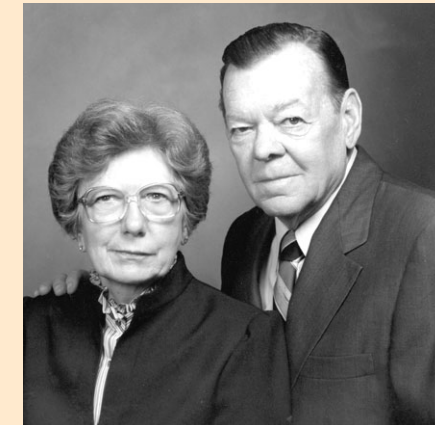
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Supporting Students Who Seek A Christian Education

Mr. and Mrs. "Preacher" Massey's son, Edwin, graduated from high school at sixteen, graduated from Millsaps College and went on to receive his PH. D. in Marine Biology from the University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg all before turning twenty-five. Realizing the expenses incurred while pursuing a college degree, the Masseys had a desire to assist and support students seeking a Christian education.



Mr. and Mrs. "Preacher" Massey

Upon the death of her husband, Mrs. Massey shared with Jane Newell, Associate Director of the Mississippi Baptist Foundation, how they heard about the stewardship opportunities available through the Mississippi Baptist Foundation. A cousin, Billy Johnson, now deceased, was pastor of Oak Grove Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, and directed them to contact their Mississippi Baptist Foundation.

It was the desire of the family that they give a tithe of the Life Insurance Policy left to Mrs. Massey after Preacher Massey died. Jane Newell stated, "Therefore, not only are they assisting and encouraging students who will be our future ministers in Mississippi and around the world, they are also extending the memory of their loved one, "Preacher" Massey, until the Lord returns".

The "Curtis Aven ('Preacher') Massey Memorial Scholarship Fund" was established August 20, 1987, by his wife, Mrs. C.A. (Rachel) Shows

Massey, and his children Mrs. Andrea Massey Bush, and Dr. Edwin R. Massey. The interest on the fund is used for student scholarships at our Mississippi Baptist colleges or at a Southern Baptist Convention supported Seminary.

Their daughter, Mrs. Andrea Massey Bush, lives in Pearl, Mississippi, and their son, Dr. Edwin Massey, is President of Indian River Community College, Ft. Pierce, Florida, and lives in Vero Beach. They have six grandchildren and ten great grandchildren.

Mr. & Mrs. Massey were members of Wildwood Baptist Church, Laurel. Mrs. Massey was a W.M.U member., Director of G.A.'s and Acteens, and taught Sunday School for over twenty years. After moving to Pearl, she was an active member of McLaurin Heights Baptist Church, Pearl. Mrs. Massey presently resides at Peach Tree Village, an Assisted Living Home, in Brandon Mississippi.

A Scholarship Helps Dreams Become Reality

Jesi Rogers, of Pittsboro, Mississippi, is one of those who benefit from the C.A. "Preacher" Massey Memorial Scholarship. Miss Rogers is a freshman at Blue Mountain College where she is an active member of the Euzelian Society, serves on the BSU Community Missions Committee and participates in the BMC Chorale.

Jesi is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Rogers, Jr. She excelled in high school in both social and academic pursuits. And, with the help of this scholarship, she is able to attend Blue Mountain College and continue to pursue her dreams.

"Thank you so much for the scholarship I received. I really appreciate your consideration. This scholarship will help pay for my college so that I can make my dreams become a reality. Because I am greatly appreciative of this honor, I will strive for my best in everything I seek to accomplish."

—Sincerely,
Jesi Rogers

