

Glen Waverley Uniting Church



Endowment Fund

**Contributing to the mission and ministry of
the Community of Faith**

at

Glen Waverley Uniting Church



Contributing to the life of Glen Waverley Uniting Church through the Endowment Fund

Dear Friend,

There are many ways and different times that we can contribute to ministry and mission of the Glen Waverley Uniting Church (GWUC). It can be by regular giving and, on occasions, by making a once-off donation in response to situations that arise in our lives and the life of the Congregation. Examples include funerals, weddings, baptisms, confirmation, times when pastoral care has been beneficial or just at time when we want to support the work of the Church.

Donations may be received via a **bequest** or as **once-off gifts** to the **Endowment Fund**. These **gifts** are one way that you can offer support for the various ministries and missions of the GWUC.

Bequests

Providing for a **bequest** in your Will can assist the Congregation for many years. GWUC has had a number of bequests that have enabled the ministry and outreach to continue. It was via a bequest that we were able to establish the Ministry to Youth. A bequest enabled playgroups, occasional childcare and Sunday school children to enjoy their time in the GWUC premises. A bequest helped us to establish office facilities that have served us for nearly 20 years. A bequest seeded the cost of the Children's & Families Ministry.

It is desired to receive unencumbered bequest to allow the congregation to meet specific needs as they may arise for time to time.

Once-Off Gifts

Alternatively providing a direct **once-off gift** now can immediately support the Church's mission.

The **Endowment Fund** seeks to use the earnings from the capital gifted by bequest or direct gifts to support particular initiatives and projects approved by the congregation. For example, the Fund may provide funds in support: of projects such as the following;

- sustaining the Seniors Ministry for a further 12 months;
- funding the cost of music used in worship by the choirs , bands and the congregations;
- covering the cost of communications within the Church community and in the wider community;
- continuing with a full time youth minister;
- enabling continuation of the Kombie ministry outreach to street kids;
- enabling the small remote churches to receive our worship services on line;
- giving certainty to a growing Children's & Families Ministry' and
- supporting various outreach projects such as Asylum Seeker project and welfare assistance to those in need.

As you can see, there are many ways to assist the Congregation perform the ministry of God in Glen Waverley. We would suggest you pray about it, talk to your family about it, talk to your advisors, and do what you believe God calls you to do. We would also like to assist you to provide this support in a manner that is flexible for GWUC but meets your wishes.

A summary of the **fund** is provide in this brochure together with a form for your use and return to the Church office. Please do not hesitate to contact me (via the Church office BH 9560 3580) if you require further information.

yours in Christian service

Chair of Congregation

GLEN WAVERLY UNITING CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUND (the "FUND")

You are invited to contribute to the mission and ministries of the Glen Waverley Uniting Church via a donation to the **Endowment Fund**.

The **Fund** is a perpetual fund that may receive contributions from **Bequests** upon the death of a family member as part of the Estate distribution under terms of the Will.

It is recommended that you talk to your financial or legal advisors to assist you in creating an appropriately worded provision in your will.

Note that only money gifts can be received. Shares, property, art works or other illiquid investments cannot be bequeathed or received.)

Alternatively, contributions may be via a **direct once-off donation** given in response to situations that arise in our lives and the life of the Congregation.

The **Fund** assists in the resourcing of projects approved annually by the Congregation. The moneys are not used on the development, operations or maintenance of buildings.

The capital in the **Fund** is invested in a secure and ethical investment vehicle. The **Fund** is managed by three "Stewards" and is kept separate from the day-to-day accounts of the church. An annual public report includes a list of donors and amounts donated as well as the performance and use of the **Fund's** earnings for the past year. Donors to the **Fund** elect to determine what information is recorded in the Fund and the annual report.

A detail statement of the **Fund** terms is available upon request to the Church office.

Please fill in the form on the reverse side herein and return to the Church office or post to GWUC, Cnr Bogong avenue & Kingsway, Glen Waverley 3150.

Giving to the Endowment Fund

I/We would like to know more about contributing to the **Fund**.

Name(s) and contact details:

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I/We have arranged for a **Bequest** in preparing a Will.

Please tell us of your intentions so that we may follow up at the appropriate time.

Name and contact details of person making a Bequest in their Will.

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Contact details (Executor(s) name & address, , phone number.

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I/We would like to make a **Gift** of \$..... to the Fund.

Note that Gifts made to the Fund are not Tax deductible.

Name(s) and contact details:.

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(tick out the following as appropriate:)

Please enter the following description in the Fund Register.

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I/We do not wish the register name(s)/description to be made public.

I/We do not wish the gifted amount to be made public.

I/We enclose a cheque for made out to the “Glen Waverley Uniting Church Endowment Fund”.

Signed.....

Dated

Use additional sheets if needed