

The Foundation provides a wise and safe means for members and friends of Columbia Baptist Church to achieve collective goals.



A specific example of how the Columbia Foundation helps to multiply the impact of the funds entrusted to it, consider Rev. Mathangani's ministry in developing Christian leaders in Africa.

Samson Mathangani was a member of Columbia Baptist Church who felt the Lord's call to the ministry. He attended seminary in Birmingham, Alabama, with support from the Columbia Foundation and other organizations in the church. Following graduation, he returned to Africa to pursue a vision to train African pastors who often have little or no access to seminaries and limited resources for further Christian training and development.

He established the *Institute for Quality Christian Leadership* and enlisted a cadre of educators who travel to Nyeri, Kenya, to conduct intensive two-week seminars for pastors and church leaders, many using scholarships provided by the Columbia Foundation.

### **Columbia Foundation at a Glance:**

The **Columbia Foundation** was established July 12, 1976, as a non-profit, tax-exempt Virginia Corporation. It assists people in need from all walks of life and all social and ethnic groups by providing grants and loans to help finance:

- Food and clothing expenses;
- Medical, social, and housing needs;
- Day care payments;
- Tuition for professional training, college, seminary, and the Columbia Institute of Fine Arts; and
- Christian ministries and outreach.

The Foundation is managed by a twelve-member volunteer Board of Directors.

Gifts may be designated to:

Columbia Foundation (Falls Church, VA).

Please contact the Foundation for details.

### **Inquiries**

A board member is always available to assist you. Please contact:

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*Jesus said:*

*Feed My sheep.*

*John 21:17*

*For I testify that they gave*

*C o m m a n d e d*

*as much as they were able,*

*b y G o d*

*and even beyond their ability.*

*C o m p l e l e d*

*II Corinthians 8:3*

*B y L o v e*

What would it be like if Christ were here today? In fact, Christ is here and is made real every time we reach out to those in need!

### How Can We Do This Effectively?

One way is to contribute to the **Columbia Foundation**. It is a non-profit, charitable foundation that uses the financial resources entrusted to it by Christian brothers and sisters to extend Christ's ministry locally and internationally.

For example, The Foundation provides needs-based financial support through loans and grants to help pay tuition and related expenses for financially strapped local college and semi-ary students.



The Columbia Foundation's impact is also felt **locally** through its support for Columbia's food ministry, its social needs grants to local families facing hardship, its assistance to Columbia's music ministry, and its support for outreach activities to Columbia's senior members.



The Foundation's impact is felt **nationwide** through its financial assistance during emergency disasters such as hurricane Katrina or other unexpected catastrophes, and through its support for those attending institutes of higher education across the country.

The Foundation's impact is felt **internationally** through support for mission activities such as a decade-old summer ministry to a Russian orphanage in Demidov, Russia, a multi-year medical ministry to Honduras, and purchasing Bibles for churches in Haiti.

### Why Should You Contribute?

It is an effective way to witness and express love for people in your church, the metropolitan area, and the world.

You can lend a helping hand and make a difference in the lives of those truly in need.

You can help start new programs to reach peoples of the world.



It is a way to make a little go a long way in creating, expanding or maintaining ministries around the world.

