

Express Your Personal Wishes.

It may have started the first time we took a deep breath and blew out the candles, or perhaps it was when we gazed upon a lone star in a dark sky. We would quietly make a wish and take care to tell no one in hopes that the wish would come true.

Whenever it began, the practice of keeping our most personal hopes and dreams to ourselves is a tradition that Americans, in large number, tend to revive when it comes to a final communication with friends and loved ones.

This final communication is called The Last Will and Testament. Regardless of how we've come to view this document, it is a final opportunity to give expression to personal wishes.



I have reviewed your brochure on Wills and Bequests and:

- I would like to speak with someone who can provide additional information.
- I would like to receive information on other charitable tax planning options.

Name _____

Street _____

City _____

State/Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

Email _____

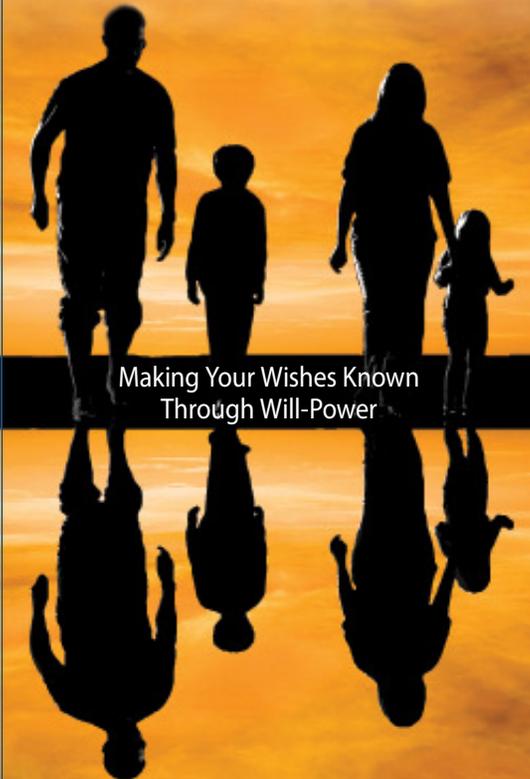
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Will Your Will Be Known?



Do You Need a Will?

Many people, especially young individuals and those who feel that their estate is too small, believe that a will represents an unnecessary expense. But, you need a plan for the future and the preparation of a will need not be expensive.

Even if you don't own a lot of property, a will is needed to make other important decisions:

- Naming an executor
- Naming a legal guardian for minors
- Making gifts or transfers
- Reducing estate tax liability

In the absence of a will, the state will resort to a formula. A judge will name an executor, a bond may have to be posted, the court will name a guardian and a formula will determine asset distribution.

The Charitable Bequest.

Did you know you can support God's church through a Charitable bequest? This is one of the best ways for you to express your specific philanthropic goals. In fact, the bequest is the most frequently utilized method to support United Methodist churches in America.

Here are some options for your bequest to charity:

- A specific dollar amount
- A percentage of the estate
- Specific assets

While many may think philanthropy is reserved for a select few, the truth is that every bequest to your church or the Foundation helps grow God's Kingdom.

If you would like more information on wills including sample language for making a charitable bequest, we invite you to use the reply form or contact us directly.

Managing God's Assets

A properly laid out plan reveals how we believe God wants us to transfer the management of His property. The Lord expects us to administer the assets He gives with the conviction that they belong to Him. Of course, this involves not only how we use those assets during our life, but how and to whom we transfer them upon our death.

Jesus said, "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Luke 12:34)

Preparation of an estate plan by a competent attorney demonstrates your desire to "honor the Lord with your substance" (Proverbs 3:9).

