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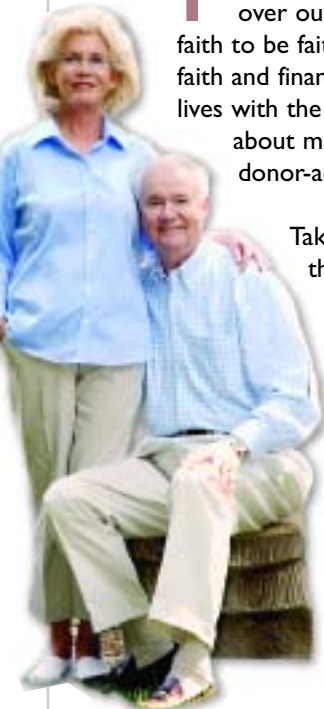
AT OUR CORE

Faithful Joyful Giving. These three words describe what Mennonite Foundation of Canada is all about. It hasn't changed over our 34 year history. We're about encouraging people of faith to be faithful and joyful in their giving. We're about connecting faith and finance as we all seek to lead godly lives with the gifts we've been given. And we're about making it easy to do that as a donor-advised charitable foundation.

Taken one at time, Faithful ties us to the basis on which MFC was created and on which we still operate. MFC is a Christian organization, acknowledging the lordship of Christ. Our work and interactions come from our understanding of faith, shaped by our Anabaptist and Mennonite history and theology. Faithful also ties us to integrity. We strive to be realistic, and to act with honesty, truth, and concern.

Joyful springs from the depths of a grateful heart. MFC recognizes that joy is the natural reaction of anyone who has seen the reality of God's hand in her

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or his life—and we have heard many stories and seen many examples of God's grace. Joyfully is also the way humans respond to Jesus' call to follow him, and MFC understands this joy. We are committed to following Jesus, both as an organization and as the individuals who work here. Joyful invites participation in a larger community—it is difficult to be joyful by yourself! And so MFC shares in the joy of being part of the six conferences and more than 470 churches which have embraced us as a component in their ministry.

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Giving is perhaps the most obvious attribute of a public charitable foundation. Over the years, we have had the privilege of being a conduit for the immense charity that comes from the hearts of people like you—our

members and clients. We encourage and then enable charitable giving. In 2007, we channeled over \$8 million to 500 of your favourite charities in Canada.

Important as these three words are to MFC itself, they also describe the donors with whom we work—and that is even more important. Our donors' faithfulness inspires us, their joy is infectious, and their giving encourages us. If you want to participate in the joys of giving faithfully, contact the MFC consultant in your area.



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Tales Of Generosity



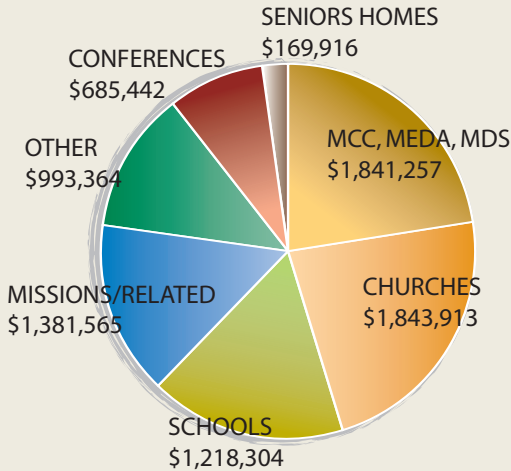
Last year, Aylmer EMMC decided to give every family or individual over the age of 18 a \$50 bill with which to do something for the greater good of the community. They called it “Ambush Aylmer with Love.” Total cost to the church was \$10,000. No accountability was required. Everyone who participated was commissioned to prayerfully do something with the money and to share their story with the church if they wanted to.

Stories of food hampers and anonymous gifts all over town were the result. Some girls, under 18, asked if they could receive their own \$50 bill. With it, they purchased baby clothes and other items for someone at their school who was under 18 and expecting a baby.

Send us your stories of faithful, joyful giving to encourage others.

MFC’s Charity Distribution for 2007

MFC celebrates a number of records as we review 2007, including coming very near \$100 million in funds under management. One-third of that amount is currently being used by churches, schools or other related charities in the form of loans and mortgages. In addition, we distributed over \$8.1 million to 500 charities across Canada last year—a growth of almost 60%!



The Nuts and Bolts

How does one give faithfully and joyfully?



For most of us in a western, democratic, capitalist society, values are measured in dollars and cents. While this is not an entirely accurate measuring stick, it helps us gain perspective. At Mennonite Foundation of Canada, our particular mission is to connect faith to money—something many people don't like to discuss.

We help our clients maintain a faith perspective as they plan for their own futures, for the futures of their families, and for the futures of their communities—especially their faith communities. Our consultants help to make sense of your financial options so that you can make the most of what you have to give. They suggest strategies to minimize taxes, and they will tell you if you are short-changing yourself in your planning.

Plan to be generous.

If you have a dream you'd like to contribute to but don't know who else shares that vision, MFC consultants can suggest charities that work to fulfill your passions. Just as there are professionals who can help you plan to become wealthy, our consultants can help you plan to be generous. Wills, life insurance, gifts in kind, charitable trusts, endowments: our consultants understand these terms and can help you to understand and use them.

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Erwin Warkentin".

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