

Legacies



*“O royal standard, lift thou up
Thy glory to the sun,
Thy blue against the quiet sky
Shall stand when day is done.
Drive, drive, O men, about that shield,
Nor give another place.
Beyond the banner lifts the light
Upon that marred face,
The King of Kings, to whom thou’rt bound
In covenanted creed.
The Cross, the Crown, the Christ. Lead on!
On, sacred ensign, lead!”*

(R. McC. GEORGE.)

Requests

Christ showed us that at times it is His wish to chronicle the gifts of rich or poor. By His direction the Gospel story includes record of Mary's gift of the box of very precious ointment; by His word about it, he passes to us with His approval the story of the widow's gift. We, too, would chronicle some gifts of rich and poor for an inspiration to Christian love.

"Charge them that are rich that they have their hopes set on God . . . laying up in store a good foundation." These are "foundation-layers" through the Covenanter Church, giving each at least ten thousand dollars, some much more, in single gifts:

David Gregg	T. M. Faris
Rev. David and Mrs. M. E. McKee	W. J. Ferguson
David and Amelia Gailey	Henry O'Neil
Joseph and Mary McConnell	Wm. McCrory
Andrew Alexander	R. O. Logan
Samuel Houston	John Heslip
Miss Margaret Gray	John Hunter
John and Mary Morton	Robert Kyle
Miss Mary A Sterrett	George McCarroll
Dr. S. A. Sterrett	Rev. D. J. Shaw
Mrs. Eda S. E. McKee	James Wiggins
Chas. McElroy	

From others of limited resources have come bequests which showed that "their poverty abounded unto the riches of their liberality."

1884—Miss Nancy Scott, \$50.00, for Domestic Mission Endowment.

1892—Mrs. Margaret Gormly, \$15.75 for Foreign and Southern Missions.

1894—Eliza Toner, \$100.00 among Southern, Indian and Chinese Missions.

1927—James R. Logan, \$90.44 for Synod's Budget.

1933—George H. Magee, \$25.00 for the Seminary.

1876—*Walter Bebec, aged 7 years. \$0.50, his saved pennies devoted by him to Foreign Missions before his death.*

1876—*Mrs. John Morrison, \$4.50, the savings for this fund of her little son, since deceased.*

Like Peter (2 Peter 1:15) each of us should plan for some benefit to the cause "after my decease." The men whose pictures are given in this folder had, like Peter, little silver and gold. Like him they had more precious things, and gave them.

"Thou hast been faithful over a few things; I will set thee over many things."



RICHARD CAMERON

"Lord, spare the green and take the ripe."

Richard Cameron died at Ayr's Moss, August, 1680.

His Legacy to the Covenanters—

A Challenging Name,

A Daring Christian Leadership,

An Issue Clearly Drawn for Christ,

Scotland and the Covenantants.

About making your will

1. Pennsylvania taxes bequests to religious and charitable organizations 10%. What is your state law? From what part of your estate shall the inheritance tax be paid?
2. Life insurance is not usually taxable unless left to the estate rather than to a person.
3. One may reduce the cost of inheritance tax by creating a trust which transfers the estate through two generations instead of by bequest of outright ownership.
4. Have you considered possible shrinkage in your estate and provided first for most important matters? It is safer to leave a percentage than a lump sum to special objects. Show due care for your family.
5. Have you fulfilled legal requirements of proper witnesses, naming all possible heirs, considering problems of children under age, keeping your will up-to-date? See *Covenanter Witness*, December 4, 1935, page 358.
6. Have you secured the advice of a competent and trustworthy lawyer? It should not cost much.
7. *Have you considered the needs of the Covenanter cause when you are gone?*



Let your gift to the Covenanter Church pay you A LIFE INCOME

For over eighty years such benevolent organizations as the American Bible Society have been making annuity agreements and issuing to the holders regular annuity checks.

Synod's Board of Trustees also offers Annuity Agreements. The checks help to bring security and satisfaction in spite of disturbing world conditions. In addition there is the satisfaction of sharing the making of Christians and a Christian world. The Board already has hundreds of thousands of dollars under its competent care. It can ensure you an annual return at a reasonable rate and at your death the principal will go to reduce the mortgage on the Covenanter church in which your children are members; or to the work of Foreign Missions, the Seminary, Witness Committee, Aged Ministers' Fund, or to the discretion of the Synod.

For information write to J. S. Tibby, 209 Ninth St., Pittsburgh, Pa.



WILL M. ROBB

Died at Manila, July 26, 1929.

His Legacy to the Covenanters—

A Record of Loyal Service in America and in China,

A Spiritual Leadership in Prayer, Bible Study and Missionary Methods.

A Passion for Christ.

Form of Bequest

I do give and bequeath to the Board of Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America

..... dollars
to be credited to *current account of the following schemes.....

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REAL ESTATE

I do give and bequeath to the Board of Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America, its successors and assigns forever, all that certain piece of land situated

in

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the proceeds from the same to be devoted to the *current account

of the following schemes.....

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*If one wishes, he may insert the word "Endowment" in place of "Current Account," though the depression has created special needs in current accounts. Instead of specifying the schemes of the Synod to which he makes his bequest, he may better say, "to be distributed according to the wish of Synod," which would allow distribution according to the needs of the various benevolences at the time the bequest is received. That would be best of all. In case of large gifts, they may be arranged to be paid in installments.

Every Year Many Good People Die Without Making a Will

They just "intended to do it."

Make Your Will Now

(You can change it later, if necessary.)

If there are matters you must look up first, look them up this week. Let June 1, 1936, be the final limit beyond which

You Will Not Postpone This Duty

It may add peace to your last hours.

It will relieve those you love.

It should consider Christ's cause.

When Your Will Is Read, Will It Sound Like the Will of a Covenanter?

Will it indicate that you have "laid up treasure in heaven?"

If you wish further information about how to leave money to the work of the Church, write your questions to

LEGACY COMMITTEE, CARE OF
J. S. Tibby, 209 9th St., Pittsburgh, Pa.