

Policy 446 Lynnies Evans Fund For Children and Youth

Introduction

Carolyn Rose Bailey Evans was a life-long member of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Throughout her life, Carolyn was known as “Lynnies” by all her closest family and friends. Lynnies was born and raised in Medford, Oregon where she attended Sunday School as a child and youth at First Christian Church. Lynnies was active in Chi Rho (Junior High Youth) and later Christian Youth Fellowship. When Lynnies was in the seventh grade, the Evans family came to Medford as Fredrick Evans had been called to be the pastor of First Christian Church.

Lynnies married John Evans November 29, 1968 and both graduated from Northwest Christian College in 1969. While in college, Lynnies focused her study in the areas of Developmental Psychology and Christian Education. She taught Sunday School in Eugene churches and the Perrydale Church of Christ while still a student.

Lynnies and John served churches in Riverside, California, Los Angeles, California and Honolulu while he attended seminary. Graduating from Claremont School of Theology John was ordained and the Evanses served congregations in Bakersfield and Merced, California, before moving to Grants Pass, Oregon in 1982. In March 1991 the Evanses began a 20 year ministry at the First Christian Church of Corvallis. In all of the above congregations Lynnies worked side-by-side with her husband. In particular, Lynnies was passionately involved in nurturing and teaching children and youth. Through her commitment, integrity and creativity Lynnies has inspired new generations to follow in her footsteps.

As a significant amount, \$13,000, has been contributed to our congregation in memory of Lynnies, it is appropriate that these funds be assigned to a Named Permanent Fund as per the congregation’s Permanent Fund Policy. In recognition of her commitment to Children and Youth, Lynnies’s family would like the fund to be named the Lynnies Evans Fund for Children and Youth. They would like the fund to support the program and activities of children and youth of First Christian Church, Corvallis.

Policy

Distributions from the Lynnies Evans Fund may be spent to provide opportunities and activities supportive of children and youth in the local congregation. Decisions about using distributed income should be made by volunteers and staff directly involved in leadership with children and youth in cooperation with the Program Cabinet. The Permanent Funds Policy of the church in relation to restricted named funds will be followed.

Recommended by the Evans Family, Trustees, and Finance Cabinet
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