



GIFTS OF STOCKS, SECURITIES & MUTUAL FUNDS

Riches in the Sight of God A mentor once asked me how I discern the difference between things I want and things I need. Assessing my *needs* is easy—God provides everything I need, including salvation in Jesus. Assessing my *wants* is harder because often I *want* more than I *need*.

Jesus provides a biblical perspective on needs vs. wants in Luke 12:13-15 (GNT): A man in the crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide with me the property our father left us.” Jesus answered him, “Friend, who gave me the right to judge or to divide the property between you two?” And he went on to say to them all, “Watch out and guard yourselves from every kind of greed; because your true life is not made up of things you own, no matter how rich you may be.”

Thank you for your interest in making a gift to Bethany Christian Services through a donation of stocks.

To initiate the process of electronically transferring stocks, securities, or mutual funds to Bethany, your broker must complete an authorization letter and send it to Bethany’s Director of Legacy Gifts, Bruce T. Hakim.

The National Christian Foundation West Michigan assists Bethany to convert stocks into ministry dollars that support our work with children and families all over the world.

Therefore, your gift receipt will come from the National Christian Foundation West Michigan. Your receipt will include a description of your gift, the date your gift was received, the number of shares sold, the total dollar value of the shares, and confirmation that Bethany Christian Services has received the proceeds from the sale.

Your gifts of appreciated stocks often provide significant tax benefits. Contributions of appreciated stock held for more than one year are generally deductible at market value. Accordingly, the capital gains tax is avoided.*

For more information about Bethany or a referral to a financial, tax, or legal professional, please contact Bruce T. Hakim, Director of Legacy Gifts at **616.818.4849**; bhakim@bethany.org.



LETTER OF AUTHORIZATION

Please accept this letter of authorization to irrevocably transfer stock(s), mutual fund(s), other securities, and/or cash to the National Christian Charitable Foundation, Inc. for the purpose of making a gift to Bethany Christian Services of 901 Eastern Ave NE, PO Box 294, Grand Rapids, MI 49501.

YOUR INFORMATION

Name(s) _____ Bethany Branch/Program _____

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Please deliver the following shares of stocks, mutual funds, and/or other publicly traded stocks to National Financial Services Account #479-048720 to the National Christian Charitable Foundation, Inc., DTC #0226 for Bethany Christian Services Single Charity Fund #1327718.

ASSET INFORMATION

_____	_____	_____	\$ _____
Description of Assets/Name of Security	Symbol	Exact # of Shares	Approximate Value

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This is my written authorization to irrevocably transfer ownership of the assets specified to National Christian Charitable Foundation, Inc. I understand that any contribution, once accepted by the Fund, represents an irrevocable contribution to National Christian Charitable Foundation, Inc. and is not refundable to me for any reason.

Giver 1: _____
Full Name (Please Print) Signature Date

Giver 2: _____
Full Name (Please Print) Signature Date

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