



First Baptist Family,

This summer we are celebrating one of our own. Mark Hall has served our church for 30 years. He has poured his life into our young people and has impacted every person in our church family during his ministry. Mark has spent his life teaching others how to know God and walk with God. Now, he wants to help others who are being called to serve.

God calls some of us to serve Him in ministry and the call to ministry is a call to prepare. Paul invested in Timothy and told him to prepare others for ministry.

*You have heard me teach things that have been confirmed by many reliable witnesses. Now teach these truths to other trustworthy people who will be able to pass them on to others.*

*2 Timothy 2:2 (NLT)*

Mark and Karen hope to be a continual blessing to the next generation. They have given the first \$5,000 to begin an endowment for theological education at First Baptist Church.

This fund will give members of First Baptist Church who are called to serve in ministry the opportunity to apply for and receive financial assistance to continue their education after high school in order to be equipped for part time, full time, or bi-vocational work. The candidate will complete an application form that will be reviewed by a committee of three. Once approved, funds will be paid directly to an accredited Christian school/entity reflecting our FBC Asheboro statement of faith, our covenant, values and mission.

The target date to commission the endowment is August 28, 2016, which coincides with Mark's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary at First Baptist Church. There are two ways to give to the fund. First, you can give online at [www.fbcasheboro.com](http://www.fbcasheboro.com). Follow the directions to "giving" and scroll down to the Hall Ministerial Ed. Fund. Second, you may give by writing a check to FBC Asheboro and indicate on the memo line "Ministerial Higher Ed. Endowment".

Will you prayerfully consider contributing to this endowment fund as a way to honor Mark's ministry with us and to bless future generations?

With deep appreciation,

Scotty Carpenter