

Endowment Membership Presentation

As many of you know our membership endowments began in 1924 by Ms. Eva Hughes, a Missouri native by the way, who started the Perpetual Membership Endowment. The very first Perpetual Membership Endowment was given to Ms. Louisa Woosley, the first woman ordained by the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, who by the way was from Kentucky.

Ms. Hughes started the program by saving her egg and milk money. She wrote to Ms. Johnnie Massey Clay, the president of the 1924 Convention about her proposal to establish the Perpetual Membership Endowment. The proposal was accepted. And by the way, Johnnie Massey Clay was from my church, the Bowling Green Cumberland Presbyterian Church and the circle that I am a member bears her name.

The total Perpetual Membership endowment is now is \$895,672.83. Amazing! And this all began with Eva Hughes's \$30.00.

Now on with the Membership Endowments-- that first Perpetual Membership Endowment has grown into a total of six Membership Endowments. Beside the Perpetual Membership, we have the Patron Membership for \$100.00; Golden Patron for \$150.00 for those who have served 50 years or more; Silver Patron for \$125.00 for those who have served at least 25 years; Diamond Patron for \$50.00 for those who have 10 years or more of service in the church or Ministry. Any of these memberships can be bestowed to honor or in memory of a relative or friend. All Patron Memberships are placed in the same fund. The Patron Memberships currently totals \$714,831.48. Thus, the total of the Membership Endowment Fund is \$1,609,994.31! Just look at what one woman could do and her willingness to help others!!!

Since our last Convention 135 memberships have been bestowed; 100 perpetual memberships; 5 patrons; 13 diamonds, and 17 golden patrons. The endowment memberships continue to grow, thanks to you and many others who honor someone in this way.

At this time, I would like to ask all who have a **Perpetual Membership** to please stand. Are there any Perpetual Memberships to be presented at this time?

Please stand if you have a **Patron Membership**. Are there any Patron Memberships to be presented at the time?

Please stand if you have a **Diamond Patron Membership**. Are there any Diamond Memberships to be presented today?

Please stand if you have a **Silver Patron Membership**. Are there any Silver Memberships to be presented today?

Please stand if you have a **Golden Membership**. Are there any Golden Memberships to be presented at this time?