



The Endowment Fund

On February 23, 2006 Sam McReynolds passed away from this life and all those who loved him took comfort in the idea that Sam had finished his mission on the earth. We soon learned that Sam had other ideas. His carefully designed plan was revealed to the congregation soon after his memorial service.

Sam left \$80,000 to the Willis Missions fund to carry on Sam's life-long work supporting missions from South 11th & Willis. Using earnings from a long career in teaching, Sam intended these funds to make a difference in the world. What better use of Sam's gift than to help a group of children who, without the assistance of God's family, would have no escape from pain and suffering, no hope and no future?

Using Sam's bequest to establish an endowment, Willis Missions has set a goal to raise an additional \$250,000 from others who are committed to these Kenyan deaf orphans. With a starting endowment fund of \$330,000, these funds will be invested to produce earnings to be applied to the annual operating expenses Sam's Place.

The investment plan calls for the fund to yield 5% to be used for an annual operations budget for Sam's Place with any additional earnings to be reinvested with the original principle to produce future earnings. Under this plan, a target budget of \$16,500 per year will be available for salaries, maintenance, utilities, and other operating expenses.

Make a commitment today to partner with Sam to create a refuge for these deaf orphans in Kenya. Send in your checks, earmarked for "Sam's Place Endowment" to: Sam's Place, S. 11th & Willis Church of Christ, 3333 South 11th Street, Abilene, Texas 79605.