



August News and Updates

R. J. WILEMON FOUNDATION ENDOWMENT FUND

The Wilemon Foundation was established in 2000 by R.J. and Ruth Wilemon. Brother Wilemon was the founder of R.J. Wilemon Construction Company which was responsible for the construction of hundreds of residential and commercial properties. In 1960, Brother Wilemon surrendered to the ministry and pastored several churches before becoming a full-time evangelist. Ruth Wilemon was a devoted partner for 65 years. The Wilemons both passed away in 2012.

The Wilemon's love of God and desire to leave lasting support for Baptist and Baptist related ministries led to the establishment of the foundation. They had a particular desire to support long serving pastors and their spouses.

In 2014, the Wilemon Foundation established an endowment fund at the CREATE Foundation to help ensure that goals of the foundation are supported in perpetuity. CREATE is honored to have this partnership with the Wilemon Foundation.

"Our grandparents were always givers, but we didn't realize how much so until their deaths. We heard countless stories of how they had helped families and churches in times of crisis. The establishment of Wilemon Foundation is a perfect example of their giving hearts. We are honored to be part of it. CREATE Foundation has partnered with us in our efforts and has been incredibly instrumental in assisting us in carrying out the purposes and goals set forth by our grandparents. We are grateful for this partnership."
- Shonda Wilemon Sharpe

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Organization Endowments

CREATE houses over 60 endowments funds that benefit organizations throughout northeast Mississippi. These funds assist the organization in their annual operations and projects. Supporting an organization through their endowment fund is a tremendous way to ensure that the organization is able to make an impact on the people that they serve for years



to come.

You can support an organization endowment fund through outright gifts, gifts of appreciated stock, or through your estate. You can find a list of the organization endowment funds in our online annual report by clicking [here](#).

If you have interest in supporting one of our organization endowment funds, please contact P.K. Thomas at 662-844-8989 or pk@createfoundation.com.

Thank You,

Toyota Wellspring Fund at CREATE



Joseph Henry

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- Building permanent community endowment assets

- Encouraging philanthropy and managing charitable funds contributed by individuals, families, organizations and corporations
- Strengthening the regional community development capacity
- Taking a leadership role on key community issues and impacting the region through gifts and targeted grant-making

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