

Choice Christian greetings – I pray the upcoming Christmas season is filled with many blessings for you and your family. I wanted to share with you a special opportunity to further the Royal Rangers ministry for years to come.

The Ready Foundation was presented at the 2023 LEAD Conference in Tulsa this past March. **The Ready Foundation** is a donor-advised fund administered by the National Christian Foundation. The purpose of the fund is to grow contributions in order to establish a monetary base from which charitable grants can be made. **The Ready Foundation** is dedicated to making grants that will support the goals of empowering mentorship and discipleship, resourcing mentorship efforts, and growing local efforts to implement mentorship programs. In simple terms, **The Ready Foundation** is an endowment that will give Royal Rangers a solid financial foundation from which it can successfully meet the mentorship needs in the coming years.

The 29.11 Project is a fund-raising campaign to establish a \$1,000,000 principal basis in The Ready Foundation (donor-advised fund) by March 1, 2025.

1 of 1000 Endowment – The goal is to have 1000 individual contributions of \$1000 in order to build the \$1,000,000 principal basis of **The Ready Foundation** donor advised fund. The principal will remain in the donor advised fund and can be used only to generate interest or investment increase. The principal can never be used to issue charitable grants. The interest or increase can be used to extend grants to further the goals of Royal Rangers.

"I am supporting the Ready Foundation because I know first-hand the value of endowments. I am the department chair of a large academic department at a major research university. We recently have had two different donors give our department endowments that total over \$1 million dollars (plus we have additional endowments for professorships and student scholarships). The principal has been invested and is already generating income for our department, income that will continue forever. Right now, we are getting over \$50,000 per year in earnings from our million-dollar endowment to help supplement the budget the university gives us. That makes a huge difference in what we can do as a department, and I know a similar endowment for Royal Rangers would make a lasting difference for our ministry too. Money invested in an endowment today will help the ministry long after the donor is gone. I ask everyone to prayerfully consider joining with me to partner with the Ready

Foundation to create a substantial endowment for the Royal Rangers ministry so it will have the financial resources it needs to reach boys for Christ until Jesus returns."

Jonathan Trower

Gold Medalist, fmr District Director, fmr Regional Coordinator Ready Foundation Endowment Contributor (#6 of 1000)

As we come up to the end of the year, please consider a charitable contribution to **The Ready Foundation's 29.11 Project**. Once a contribution is made, A letter will be sent to you by the National Christian Foundation signifying all contributions as tax deductible.

Next Steps: As we progress this effort to empower and resource mentorship, please consider taking part in the next steps.

- 1. Acknowledge God in all plans, activities and decisions and pray that He will make the path straight (**Proverbs 3:5**).
- 2. Prayerfully consider contributing to **The Ready Foundation**. <u>www.ready-foundation.com/donations</u>
- 3. Help us build the contact database by asking friends, family, and business associates to SUBSCRIBE with **The Ready Foundation**. www.ready-foundation.com/connect

Thanks for taking the time to read this message.
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