THE URANTIA UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE ENDOWMENT FUND

A Legacy of *Light*

Securing Spirit-Led Education for Generations to Come

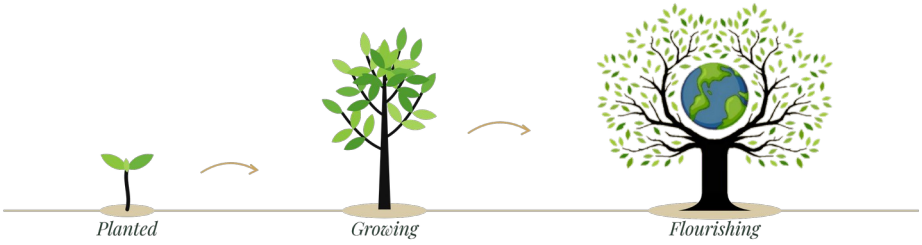
AN INVITATION

An Invitation to Make a Lasting Difference

Now more than ever, truth-seekers around the world are searching for meaning, purpose, and hope. You know this search well — you have spent your life enacting the Jesusonian values of spirit insight, joyful ministry, and loving service. And perhaps you sense, as we do, what is coming: a moment when the Urantia revelation moves from the margins to the center of a search already underway in the hearts of millions. When that moment arrives, the revelation will need a foundation strong enough to receive them — a community of serious study, ready to meet a curious world with substance rather than superficiality. We have our eyes on eternity, but our feet are on the ground: the work of building that foundation must begin now.

This is what sets Urantia University Institute apart: we cultivate in-depth study of the entire book — rigorous scholarship, original research, and the critical thinking skills that allow truth to be tested and integrated. It requires cultivating minds capable of carrying eternal truths forward — integrating them with evolving human knowledge and the everyday practice of a spiritual life.

We aspire to be a perpetual home for spirit-led education, where truth-seekers arrive as students and leave as teachers. The Endowment Fund will ensure UUI continues to grow — eventually becoming a full-fledged university that integrates the study of religion, science, and philosophy with worship and service. It will enable the recruitment and retention of outstanding faculty and staff, ensuring that quality teaching, interdisciplinary research, and spiritual growth opportunities remain available to future generations of ambassadors of the Urantia revelation.



Our Vision: Education for an Evolving World

UUI's Theory of Change rests on a simple but powerful premise: personal spiritual transformation catalyzes social transformation. As individuals deepen their understanding of the Urantia Book and integrate its teachings into daily life, they join a growing, multilingual corps of trained teachers and leaders — carrying spirit-guided values into communities across cultures and continents.

This transformation rests on integrating the three practices of study, worship, and service. Study alone can become mere intellectual exercise; worship alone can become sentiment without substance; service alone can become activism unmoored from spiritual grounding. But together they foster community and lead to God-consciousness. Within the wider constellation of organizations carrying the Urantia revelation forward, UUI occupies what we think of as the root system — the unseen work of depth, transformation, and teacher formation

that draws up the nourishment sustaining the whole movement above ground. All of the organizations inhabit the same ecosystem and we support each other — success for one means success for all.

> *"The Urantia Book contains such profound depth that no single organization can fully meet the diverse needs of its readership. Some organizations publish reliable materials, reach across geographic and cultural boundaries, and welcome newcomers into the larger family of readers. But once readers begin to sense the book's seemingly unbounded depth, they often seek a more advanced level of engagement — and meeting that curiosity requires a dedicated team of scholars and educators. To me, Urantia University Institute represents a stable, willing, and capable core of focused individuals laying the cornerstones of a future university, one prepared to meet the evolving needs of a rapidly growing population of sincere seekers."*
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> — GEOFF TAYLOR

This is the future your gift helps build: generations of learners accessing outstanding Urantia-inspired education wherever they are in the world, joining a global community of confident, well-equipped teachers and students.

Our Aspirations

In the future, our university-level and graduate-level programs will legitimize serious study of the Urantia Book within mainstream academic contexts. We will support scholars who can bridge the revelation with emerging fields of knowledge, ensuring our educational offerings are scientifically and intellectually rigorous while remaining grounded in a divine framework of spiritual meaning and eternal values.

We live in an era of unprecedented scientific discovery, philosophical inquiry, and societal transformation. UUI has a growing opportunity — and responsibility — to demonstrate how the teachings of the Urantia Book illuminate and enhance these evolving fields of knowledge. The Endowment Fund is what will let this work continue uninterrupted, decade after decade.

Why an Endowment — and Why Now

Today's spiritual landscape is shifting. A growing number of seekers — many of them young, and many with no prior religious affiliation — are hungry for authentic spiritual community and serious, integrative study. As interest in a Urantia Book-inspired education expands across languages and continents, UUI needs a permanent financial foundation that lets us plan for decades, not just the next fiscal year.

The data bears this out. Recent tracking shows renewed spiritual commitment rising sharply among younger adults even as broader disaffiliation continues — a fractured landscape that creates an opening on both sides of that divide for serious, non-dogmatic study. Globally, the picture is even more pronounced: the world's religious center of gravity is shifting toward Sub-Saharan Africa, Latin America, and Asia — the very regions where the Urantia movement is growing fastest, and where UUI's expanding Spanish-language programming is best positioned to serve.

THE BASICS

What an Endowment Is — and Why It Matters

An endowment is a permanently invested fund. Rather than being spent immediately, your gift becomes part of UUI's principal — professionally invested and preserved in perpetuity. The fund generates a dependable stream of annual support for UUI's mission indefinitely, rather than being spent down in a single budget cycle.

Because this is a general operating endowment, its earnings will not be restricted to any single program. Instead, they will provide UUI's Board and leadership the flexibility to direct support wherever it is most needed each year — expanding administrative capacity, supporting outstanding faculty, scholarships, technology, or the next great opportunity not yet imagined.

A gift to UUI's first endowment is, in this sense, the deepest expression of trust a donor can offer: rather than directing your gift to one course or one program, you are entrusting UUI's leadership to apply it wherever the mission needs it most — this year, and every year after.

The Difference Your Gift Will Make

The Fund will support UUI's outstanding students and ensure that future generations can:

Discern

Discern deeper meanings in the revelation that awaken a sense of duty — the realization that knowledge, rightly pursued, carries an obligation to act on behalf of planetary progress.

Discover

Discover transcendent values that reorder their priorities and motivate a life of moral purpose, transforming not just what they believe but how they approach their life's work.

Attain

Attain cosmic insight and spiritual discernment, and share it with confidence — spreading the expanded gospel of Jesus presented in the Urantia Book to their faith communities and the broader culture, and ascending, in this way, toward God-consciousness.

Education is the business of living — the means by which we ascend from knowledge, to meaning, to value, to duty, to service, and finally to spiritual discernment. Our students evolve to become the next generation of teachers — imbued with cosmic ideals and capable of effectively meeting the educational, social, spiritual, and planetary challenges of the 21st century and beyond.

Stewardship You Can Trust

Urantia University Institute is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization; all gifts are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law. UUI's Board of Trustees will govern the Endowment Fund in accordance with UPMIFA and Colorado nonprofit law, invest it prudently, and report on it transparently as part of UUI's annual financial disclosures.

The Endowment Fund sits alongside donor and grant support and in-kind faculty contributions as one of the pillars of UUI's long-term financial sustainability — a foundation strong enough to carry this mission not just through the next fiscal year, but through the generations to come.

Ways to Build Your Legacy

There are many ways to make a gift to the Endowment Fund — including several that cost you nothing during your lifetime and may offer meaningful tax advantages. We encourage you to consult your financial or estate advisor to determine which approach best fits your circumstances.

Outright Gifts

- **Cash, check, or credit card** — the simplest way to make an immediate, lasting impact.
- **Gifts of appreciated stock or securities** — which may allow you to avoid capital gains tax while receiving a charitable deduction for the full fair market value.

Gifts That Cost You Nothing Today

- **IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD)** — if you are 70½ or older, you may direct a distribution from your IRA directly to the Endowment Fund. It counts toward your required minimum distribution and is excluded from your taxable income.
- **Beneficiary designations** — name UUI's Endowment Fund as a beneficiary of a retirement account, life insurance policy, or donor-advised fund, with no change required to your current finances.
- **Grants from a donor-advised fund (DAF)** — recommend a grant to UUI's Endowment Fund directly through your DAF sponsor.

Gifts Through Your Estate

- **A bequest in your will or living trust** — a simple sentence naming Urantia University Institute as a beneficiary can transform the Institute's future without affecting your finances during your lifetime.
- **A charitable gift annuity or charitable remainder trust** — for donors who wish to receive income during their lifetime while ultimately leaving a lasting gift to UUI.

SAMPLE BEQUEST LANGUAGE

"I give, devise, and bequeath [the sum of $_____ / _____ percent of my estate / the residue of my estate] to Urantia University Institute, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, to be added to its Endowment Fund and used in accordance with its general operating purposes."

Please share this language with your attorney or estate planner, and let us know of your intentions so we may honor your generosity.

TAKE THE NEXT STEP

Your gift to the Endowment Fund — whether given today, structured through your estate, or arranged to provide you income during your lifetime — will directly fuel UUI's vision: a world where students arrive as truth-seekers and leave as teachers, where the seeds planted today grow toward the spiritual renaissance and flowering of our world in Light and Life.

We would welcome the opportunity to talk with you about the giving option that best fits your goals. Please contact:

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OUR INSPIRATION

Our efforts are inspired by Paper 71:7 of the Urantia Book:

"The purpose of education should be acquirement of skill, pursuit of wisdom, realization of selfhood, and attainment of spiritual values. ... Education is the business of living; it must continue throughout a lifetime so that mankind may gradually experience the ascending levels of mortal wisdom ... and then, by means of these achievements, many will ascend to the mortal ultimate of mind attainment, God-consciousness."

— THE URANTIA BOOK, PAPER 71:7