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LESSONS FROM GRANDMA'S LAKE

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Growing up, my family and I spent a month every summer living with my grandparents in Syracuse, New York. The house sits only about 200 feet from Lake Oneida.



As a kid, I had no idea this lake had an actual name. I thought it was called “Grandma’s Lake”. I also thought my grandparents owned the lake. How incredibly nice it was of them to share their lake with so many people!

On the same grassy bank where I used to catch fireflies, stands a Weeping Willow Tree. This tree was planted by my grandfather years before I was born. He planted the seed and watched it grow. It grew tall and with a purpose - to provide shade with its graceful yet strong branches. All from one little seed.

We are blessed with a lot of grandparents in our congregations. Grandparents are gifted with special wisdom gained from their life experience and lessons they have learned along the way. This wisdom can be used to teach their grandchildren how to be good stewards and how to be responsible with the gifts God has blessed them with – especially financial gifts.

There is an old proverb which says, “From little seeds grow mighty trees”. Grandparents can help their grandchildren plant a little seed of only \$10 by opening a new Flex Savings. Together Texas CEF and grandparents can help them grow in the understanding of financial responsibility and stewardship.

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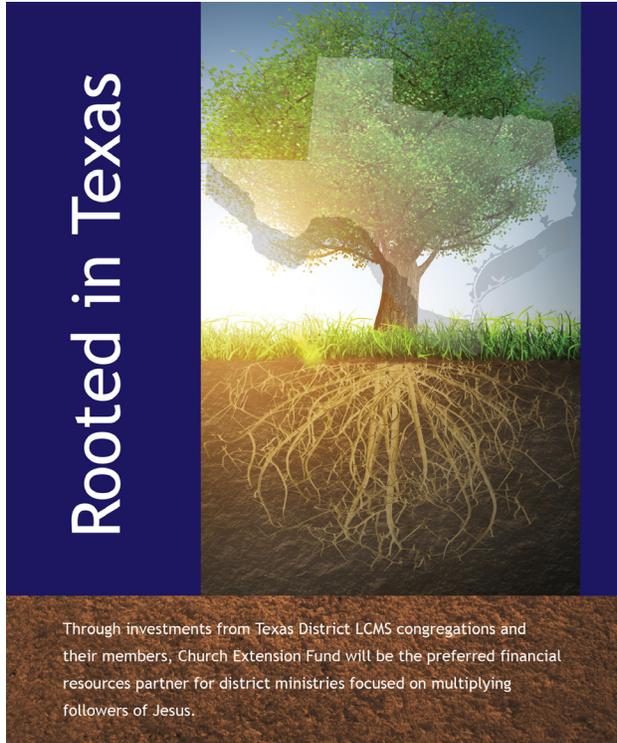
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CEF SUNDAY IS COMING

This year's theme is
"ROOTED IN TEXAS"

The official date is September 26; however, we understand that a different Sunday may work best for your congregation. CEF Sunday is the perfect opportunity to remind your congregation about how they can win when they invest with Texas CEF, the congregation can win, and the Kingdom of God wins.

We will have printed posters, bulletin inserts and Dollar Rate Sheets, as well as items for you to download!

Keep an eye out for an email with ordering information coming soon!

Please Note: We still have inserts and posters for the "Rainy Day Fund" and "Thank You for Your Loyalty" themes if you are interested in those themes.

TEXAS DISTRICT CEF SEPTEMBER 2021 INTEREST RATES

| Investment | Fixed Rate ² | | Floating Rate ² | |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------|----------------------------|-------|
| | Rate | APY | Rate | APY |
| One Year Note ¹ | 1.150% | 1.15% | 1.125% | 1.13% |
| Three Year Note ¹ | 1.275% | 1.28% | 1.250% | 1.26% |
| Five Year Note ¹ | 1.950% | 1.96% | 1.375% | 1.38% |
| Flex Savings | | | 0.750% | 0.75% |
| Rainy Day Fund ** | | | 1.000% | 1.00% |
| **Amounts over \$10,000 receive the Flex Savings rate | | | | |
| For Congregations Only | | | | |
| Congregation Savings | | | 1.000% | 1.00% |
| Building Fund | | | 2.000% | 2.02% |

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