

Helping God's people support the ministries they love since 1965

**Eddie and Robert Verhelst, brothers from South Dakota, are third-generation farmers, working the land passed down through their parents and grandparents.**

Knowing that God has blessed them tremendously, they wished to set up a gift to support gospel work. "We wanted to do something to share back our wealth," says Eddie. "God has been so good to us."

**In the early 2000s, Eddie and Robert were introduced to charitable remainder trusts through a WELS Christian giving counselor.**

The brothers learned that they could each fund a charitable remainder trust with stock that they held. In 2022, their gift became a reality when they worked with WELS Foundation to set up their trusts. Once established, they transferred their stock to the trusts, with WELS Foundation serving as trustee.

Eddie and Robert appreciate the income tax deduction they received and not paying capital gains tax on their gift. In addition, the brothers will receive income payments from the trusts for their lives, which they plan to use to support the charities they love. When the Lord calls them home, the remainder in the trusts will support WELS ministries.

This legacy gift, 20 years in the making, will be a blessing to gospel work for years to come.

### **Benefits of charitable remainder trusts:**

- Income payments for life to the donor and/or their children
- Potential income tax and capital gains tax benefits
- After the trust ends, the remainder goes to support the ministry the donor loves

### **Learn how charitable remainder trusts can benefit your ministry:**



- Scan the QR code to watch a video
- Visit [wels.net/charitable-remainder-trust](https://wels.net/charitable-remainder-trust)
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