

- I have already included the Edmundite Missions in my Will.
- I would like additional information on writing a Will.
- Please send me information on Planned Giving.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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## Remember When Preparing Your Will

- You are in control of the distribution of your estate to family, friends and favorite charities.
- You may make gifts of money, securities and properties.
- You avoid high costs of settling your estate through state laws in the absence of a Will.
- Your children receive a family inheritance.
- You name the recipients of your Will—saving legal costs from claims of others.
- You name a trusted executor to carry out your instructions.
- You help guarantee the future of the Edmundite Missions' ministry to needy children and families in rural Alabama.

*Make us worthy, Lord,  
to serve our brothers and sisters  
who live and die alone and poor.*

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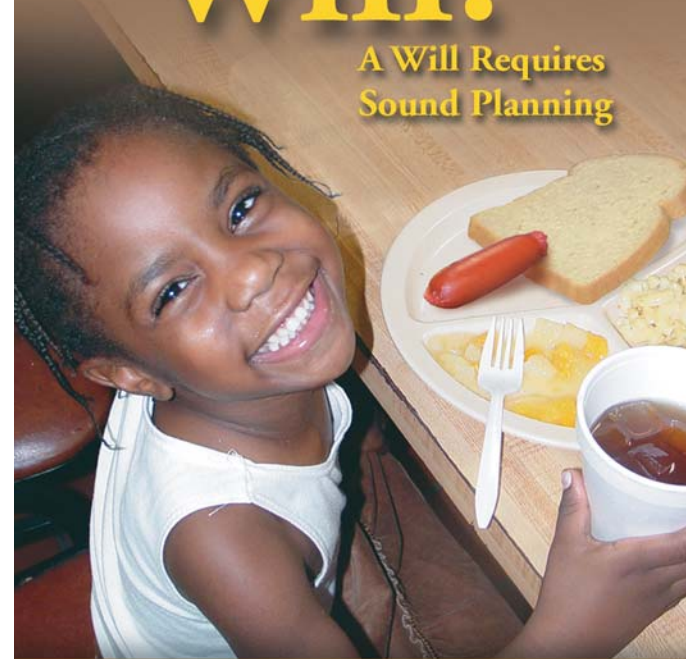
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*Serving God's people in rural Alabama since 1937*

**65%** of Americans  
**don't have**  
a legal **will.**

**A Will Requires  
Sound Planning**



Compliments of the Edmundite Missions

**A** Will tells a lot about your values and interests. Through your Will, you can care for your loved ones and leave a legacy of love to those in need. That's why a Will is such an important document.

Yet too many people — 65 percent of Americans — don't have a legal Will at the time of death. **When there is no Will, federal laws decide who gets the assets you have accumulated through a lifetime of hard work.** You may have heard how family and friends received no inheritance because their loved one died before writing a Will.

Planning ahead can be difficult, as none of us wants to face our mortality. But you can make your Will a positive experience by reflecting your compassion for others—your family and charities, such as the Edmundite Missions, that you have supported throughout your life. Your Will is your final opportunity to share God's blessings with those you love.

Your Will can also reduce your estate taxes and prevent probate issues which can tie up your estate for months.

By including the Edmundite Missions in your Will, you can ensure that children who live in poverty get healthy food, clean clothes, safe homes and educational opportunities. Your gift will help children today grow into tomorrow's educated, healthy adults who have a better future for themselves, their families and their communities.

It is in your best interest to write a well-planned Will that allows you to decide how your investments, personal property and hard-earned money will be distributed to your family, loved ones and favorite charities.

We encourage you to discuss your planned giving options with your attorney or estate representative.

## WAYS TO GIVE TO THE MISSIONS

Outright or testamentary gifts (those which take place upon one's death) of cash, personal property, real estate, securities, life insurance or other items of value are gratefully accepted. These gifts are wisely used to feed, clothe, house, educate and provide health care to children, poor parents and frail elders of rural Alabama.

### GIVING SPECIFIC AMOUNTS

*"I give, devise and bequeath to the Edmundite Missions whose legal name is Fathers of St. Edmund, Southern Missions, Inc. located at Selma, AL the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_."*

### GIVING A PERCENTAGE

*"I give, devise and bequeath to Edmundite Missions whose legal name is Fathers of St. Edmund, Southern Missions, Inc. located at Selma, AL \_\_\_\_\_% of my estate."*

### GIVING THE REMAINDER

*[Whatever is left after other bequests have been granted.]  
"All the rest, residual and remainder of my estate, including real and personal property, I give, devise and bequeath to Edmundite Missions, whose legal name is Fathers of St. Edmund, Southern Missions, Inc. located at Selma, AL."*

These are samples only. Please consult your attorney when preparing legal documents. Our Legal title: Fathers of Saint Edmund, Southern Missions, Inc.

