

The North Branch Reformed Church Introduces...

The Herb and Ray
“Pillars”
Capital Endowment Campaign



*“Everything comes from you, and we
have given you only what comes
from your hand.”*

1 Chronicles 29:14

Our Vision



Nine generations have been built upon the pillars of North Branch Church, with each generation firmly grounded in the foundations of faith and vision established before them.

How can we build upon our nine generations of pillars for our next generation to come? By endowing our buildings, steeple, windows, roofs and other capital improvements; allowing the tenth generation's money to go more directly to serving children in the Preschool, seniors at Kirkside, the homeless at Sunrise House, the broken at Hope House; and, to provide joyful worship and the blessing of hope to people in our Sanctuary.



Our vision is to establish a permanent, sustainable endowment where the investment gains will fund capital projects, ensuring that NBRC can continue to serve God and our community for years to come.

***“The one who overcomes will be made
into a pillar in the temple.”*** (Revelation 3:12)



Ray Bateman and Herb Vollers were certainly two pillars of the 9th generation of North Branch, upon which we'll continue to build for our third century, and generations to come !

Herb Vollers



Herb Vollers lived his life by putting others before self, and by doing so became a pillar of NBRC and our community.

As a member of NBRC, a founding and life member of the Branchburg Rescue Squad, past Chief and life member of the North Branch Fire Department, a Trustee of Midland School and Somerset Medical Center and many other church, local and county committees, he served long hours, always with a steadfast will to help others.

He was a loving husband and father to four children who led by example. A true one of a kind person!

Ray Bateman



Ray Bateman became a member of North Branch Reformed Church when he moved with his family to Branchburg in the 1950's.

Ray was a devoted public servant, serving in many capacities, including state senator, chairman of the Raritan Valley Community College Board of Trustees, and as both elder and deacon of NBRC.

Ray's greatest passion was his family, many of whom continue to be NBRC members. Ray remained an active member of NBRC until his passing in 2016 at the age of 88.

Introducing the permanent Herb and Ray Pillars Capital Endowment

Please prayerfully consider making a contribution to the Herb and Ray Pillars Capital Endowment.



*The entire amount of your contribution will be conservatively invested in a **permanent**, sustainable endowment fund managed by a professional financial advisor.*

Investment gains from the endowment will be used exclusively to fund future capital projects needed to maintain or improve our church facilities.



Much like our current Ethel Keinz Endowment provides additional funds for missions, community and other people care services, so too will the Herb and Ray Endowment provide additional funds for maintaining our buildings, grounds and other church facilities.

Vollers Foundation and Ray Bateman Estate Matching

To honor the memory of Herb Vollers and Ray Bateman, and to recognize that Herb and Ray were pillars in our church and community, the Vollers and Bateman families have generously offered to match your contribution to the endowment.

As a result, every dollar of your donation will be equally matched by a dollar from the Vollers Foundation or the Ray Bateman estate, up to a total of \$100,000.



What an amazing blessing from the families of these two pillars of North Branch. With their passing, as in their lifetimes, they continue to be the foundation for future generations.

How will money from the Endowment be used?

The annual investment gains from the endowment should generate additional funds that will be used exclusively for capital projects designed to maintain, enhance or expand our current church facilities and surrounding grounds. Examples of these types of capital projects may include:

- Major Interior/Exterior Renovations*
- Facilities Enhancements and Expansions*
- Major Equipment Upgrades*
- Emergency Repairs*



The church will continue to fund normal repairs and maintenance activities (ex: snow removal, preventive maintenance, building repairs) through our annual operating budget.

How much money will the Endowment provide for future generations?

Our goal is to raise \$400,000 for the Herb and Ray Endowment.

That goal can be reached by raising \$300,000 in contributions, and matching those contributions with the additional \$100,000 from the Vollers Foundation and Bateman Estate.

*Your contribution as well as the matching funds will remain **permanently**, and **conservatively** invested.*

While investment returns are unpredictable, the table below provides the potential annual returns possible, based on different theoretical endowment balances and investment returns:

Potential Endowment Balance	Potential Annual Investment Returns		
	4%	6%	8%
\$ 300,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 18,000	\$ 24,000
\$ 400,000	\$ 16,000	\$ 24,000	\$ 32,000
\$ 500,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 40,000





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Commitment Form

- My /Our total three year gift will be _____ contributed as follows:
- I/we will give \$ _____ per month year over a three year period beginning now.
- I/We will give a lump sum amount of \$ _____ on _____
- Other (please specify): _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: () _____ - _____

E-mail: _____

Please return this card by May 31st, 2019

