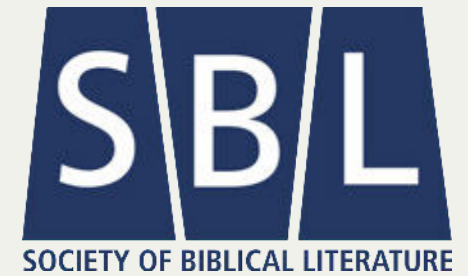


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# SBL LEGACY MAKERS

## THE SBL LEGACY MAKERS

For over one hundred and thirty years, SBL members have regularly given their time and money to support each other as they study the Bible, the world out of which it emerged, and the many contexts of biblical interpretation.

As an extension of these efforts, SBL established the Legacy Makers in order to create a vehicle of support for the scholars of today and tomorrow, as well as the future of the field. By designating a planned gift, or creating an endowment, members are investing in the future of SBL, and creating a meaningful legacy, as an SBL Legacy Maker.

## WHY SHOULD I JOIN

### PLANNED GIFTS

Planned gifts offer our members a means of accomplishing their charitable objectives that are both consistent with their personal values and take into account their overall financial and estate plans. Your trust, estate, or other planned gift strategy can turn your assets into an enduring legacy of support for the Society of Biblical Literature and in many cases offer you significant tax advantages.

### ENDOWMENT FUND

Endowment gifts make an immediate impact on SBL because they offer financial stability and ensure long-term funding for our programs and special projects. Gifts can be made in tribute to a family member, colleague, or mentor. An endowment gift can support SBL members and its programs in perpetuity. Your support for SBL ensures the sustainability of our mission to advance the academic study of biblical texts; develop resources for diverse audiences, facilitate broad and open discussion; and promote cooperation across global boundaries.

### HOW DO I JOIN?

The charitable bequest is one of the easiest and most common ways to offer future support. If you have an existing will or are seeking professional assistance in creating one, consider including a bequest to SBL. Bequests to the Society can be made for a specific amount, specific estate asset, or a percentage of the remaining balance of your estate. If considering a bequest, the following language can be used as a guide:

**"I give to the Society of Biblical Literature Inc. 825 Houston Mill Rd., Atlanta, GA 30329, a nonprofit corporation or its successor, Federal Tax Identification Number 23-6390716 \$ \_\_\_\_\_ [or] \_\_\_\_\_ [description of asset to be given]."**

Life insurance, retirement plans, and endowments are also gifts that can be considered.

Are you ready to become an SBL Legacy Maker? Simply complete the included Declaration of Future Intent form expressing your support.

