

## The 1881 Society

Brooke Foss Westcott was instrumental in setting up the Cambridge Clergy Training School in 1881, renamed Westcott House in his honour. The 1881 Society was created to enable us to thank those who intend to remember Westcott in their Will and to formally acknowledge the vital partsuch donations play in enabling us to continue the work of the House. We very much encourage our 1881 Members to advise us when they are in Cambridge to provide us with the opportunity to invite you for a visit to the College from time to time. Leaving a gift in your Will is one of the most precious gifts you can make and if you are planning to remember Westcott House it would be very helpful to us if you were able to return the completed form below. Making a Will is a sensitive and private matter so we fully appreciate and understand if you would prefer not to inform us of your intentions.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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I have made the gift available for the general purposes of Westcott House

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I have asked that the gift be directed to a specific area of College life (if so, please specify)

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As a registered charity (no. 311445) Westcott House pays no tax on gifts of money or property given through a Will. In addition, gifts may have benefits for your estate by reducing the amount liable to Inheritance Tax.

The following wording may be used:

*I give to WESTCOTT HOUSE, JESUS LANE, CAMBRIDGE (Registered Charity Number 311445) the residue/[a proportion] of the residue of my estate/the sum of £[amount] free of tax for the general purposes of the House AND I DECLARE that the receipt of the Director of Finance or other authorised officer for the time being of the House shall be a good and sufficient discharge to my executors.*

Your existing Will may be amended by simply adding a codicil. Alternatively, the gift can be included in any revision of your Will that may become necessary. In either case, if you do amend your Will you are strongly recommended to obtain the assistance of your solicitor.

To arrange a conversation to discuss any questions you may have, and to explore any personal wishes for supporting a particular aspect of Westcott's life and how this might be arranged, please contact the Administration and Communications Manager.

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Remembering Westcott  
in your Will





Rooted in the desire of our founder, B.F. Westcott, to serve the Church by offering the best possible training for its clergy, Westcott House today is an inclusive, sacramental and international community. Our common life is enriched by our ecumenical and interfaith partnerships, both here in the Cambridge Theological Federation and around the world. Our vision is to share in God's work of revealing his Kingdom in the world and our calling is to do so by preparing women and men for ministry in God's church. Westcott House exists to serve God and the Church by offering prayerful community and intellectually rigorous, contextually-grounded formation for ministry.



As theological education continues to be under financial pressures, Westcott depends increasingly on the generosity of our supporters and benefactors to sustain and develop our distinctive contribution to the life of the Church. For many, a gift in your Will enables you to give in a way that circumstances have not permitted during your lifetime. You may wish to give out of gratitude for your time at Westcott, for the ministry you have been able to exercise, and for the ministries of others who trained at Westcott.

This leaflet explains how a gift in your Will would be used, how you can go about making such a provision, and gives details of the 1881 Society which is open to all those who give in this way.

## Formation for Ministry

Preparing for the ministry God calls us to is a joy and a challenge. At Westcott House we strive to give our students opportunities to lay the foundations that will establish them in ministry and enable them to become Wise and skillful priests, serving the communities where God has called them. That preparation can include a variety of academic pathways tailored to students' different learning styles and experiences. Most ordinands follow a degree pathway awarded by Cambridge or Durham University. Increases in academic fees, coupled with recent changes to the national funding for theological education, put continuing pressure on the access to theological excellence and rigour which these pathways ensure. Could you help us raise funds for bursaries to enable present and future ordinands to continue to undertake Cambridge, Durham, and other degrees as they train and are formed for public ministry?

## Sacramental Community – Building for the Future

Community life is an essential component of what we offer. Our life together and our students' formation for ministry is grounded in worshipping together in chapel, eating together in the dining hall, and learning together in community. The Westcott House site and buildings are a home for 50 or more students, staff, and family members, with more joining us to work and study through the week. With beautiful Grade II listed buildings, there is a constant need to refurbish our estate and existing facilities. Could you help secure and transform the fabric of the College for future generations and enrich their experience of Community life?

## Serving the Church

Theological education is a lifelong endeavour. Westcott prepares people for licensed ministries in the Church of England and the worldwide Anglican Communion, supports the continuing education and professional development of those already in ministry, and offers refreshment opportunities for the whole people of God. A bequest enables Westcott's contribution to the ministry of the Church to continue and secures the educational and formational opportunities for the ministries of future generations. Could you help support the learning and development of clergy and laity to serve the future life and mission of the Church?