

Geneva COVID-19 Relief Fund

Geneva has established a relief fund to respond to needs brought on by this pandemic. If God has blessed you in a way that allows you to donate to this opportunity, please participate today.

CURRENT CONDITIONS

As you may know, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the college has moved to a fully online educational footing. Classes, health and counseling services, academic support, and student advising are all being conducted through online technologies. The campus has been vacated.

We're grateful that we were able to complete three-fourths of the 2019-20 school year prior to this move. Students will be able to complete their work in a few weeks. Commonwealth authorities and accreditors are working graciously with our seniors to ensure that they'll be able to complete their degrees and be prepared for the next step in their professional or education journey, despite the pandemic.

COVID-19 has disrupted our personal lives, as well as the life of the college.

RESPONSE AND COMMITMENTS

We appreciate your prayers for the college as we have been inquiring of the Lord for help and wisdom in knowing how to respond under these unprecedented conditions. Despite a host of uncertainties, Geneva has pursued the following course initially: we have—

- Converted our entire campus curriculum from classroom to online instruction.
- Retained our full complement of faculty and staff.
- Reimbursed our students for room and board expenses.

We give praise to the Lord Jesus Christ, who provided a number of substantial estate gifts this year. Although we did not anticipate this pandemic, clearly the Lord did. Because of a pattern of prudent leadership from the Board of Trustees, along with college leaders, Geneva has minimal long-term debt. Based on the CARES Act recently adopted by the Federal Government, we anticipate some financial support through federal grants and loans. Although we face continuing uncertainties the college is positioned, with the Lord's help, to be able to weather the challenges ahead.

GENEVA COVID-19 RELIEF FUND

As you might expect, the costs associated with our response to COVID-19 have outpaced all the resources available. Several Geneva alumni have graciously inquired, concerning unmet and emerging needs, about how they might help. We're inviting alumni and friends of the college who have been blessed with resources to support Geneva's ministry of education with a few urgent needs in mind:

- **1. Student Technology Assistance:** Moving to fully online instruction has resulted in a spectrum of technology glitches. Some students and faculty lack full functionality they need at home to optimize our best instructional software and systems. We've also incurred significant expenses in the quick transition of students, faculty and staff to online learning, including training, licensing and network expenditures.
- 2. At-Risk Student Support: Some of our students have returned to difficult household conditions. In a number of cases, students are in immediate financial distress because their parents are suddenly unemployed. Several students have lost jobs, others are overwhelmed with family responsibilities or relational tensions that threaten their educational progress. In such cases, emergency financial assistance will be pivotal to the completion of their Geneva education.
- **3. Campus Health Security.** We will re-open the college to on-campus educational activities as soon as is warranted. Our community is longing to return to "those walls old and hoary," but we anticipate that preparing campus will be a much more demanding and expensive proposition. Cleaning and sanitizing residence halls and the rest of our campus facilities will press us financially, and we expect additional new practices and protocols to be necessary for the ongoing campaign against COVID-19.

The relief fund is a temporary, special gift fund that will be entirely dedicated to support Geneva's ministry of education through this unprecedented moment of distress.

Every gift of every size contributes to the success of our students and campus community. Please make your gift now, or before August 15, at www.geneva.edu/give.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Give Now

In Christ's Service,

Calvin L. Troup, PhD President