



Dear fellow investors,

The Fortress funds gained in the second quarter, adding to their healthy year-to-date returns across the board. This might seem like a surprising result given the amount of “bad” news during the quarter. And certainly, in the first weeks of April, markets were unusually volatile as investors tried to understand just how much economic pain the U.S. administration was prepared to take in pursuit of its hard-line tariff strategy. The answer, as it turned out, after a few days of financial market panic, was not much. The tariffs were paused, hopes for clearer heads to prevail were rekindled, and the investing world eventually got on with life. After all, there are always many things to worry about – and some to be excited about.

For all of us, it's important to remember that “noise” is not necessarily reality. Underneath the loud headlines and short-term, knee-jerk reactions, market prices for the kinds of high-quality securities where we invest have remained quite good. Operating performance of some companies is not ideal, but on balance it's not bad either – and there are areas where it is excellent. And market prices matter, too. Less than a year ago the common sentiment was that equities outside the U.S. were a waste of time because the U.S. had a clear monopoly on opportunity. Why bother with investments in Europe and Asia? This sentiment was embodied in very low share prices in these areas. Now, international and emerging markets shares and currencies have led the way this year, by a wide margin, and our funds have benefited from truly global diversification. As the value across our portfolios remains excellent, we expect to see more of the same in the future, even if – and maybe especially if – the headlines continue to be noisy.

Thank you very much for investing with us.

Sincerely,
Fortress Fund Managers

OF INTEREST THIS QUARTER:

THE CARIBBEAN GROWTH FUND

gained 4.2% in the second quarter and is up 9.4% over the past year. Global equities rallied after some early tariff-related volatility, and Caribbean shares were weaker.

THE CARIBBEAN HIGH INTEREST FUND

gained 0.9% in the second quarter and is up 4.0% over the past year. Short-term bond yields fell, and long-term yields rose on uncertainty over the impact of tariffs on inflation.

THE CARIBBEAN PENSION FUND

shares gained between 1.3% and 3.8% in the second quarter and are up between 4.6% and 9.0% over the past year. Global equities and bonds both posted gains.



You don't need to do this

Investing for the long-term does not require predicting the future. But it does require being prepared for the future:

- ✓ Invest in good assets at good prices and hold them for a long time.
- ✓ Diversify widely to spread the risk and capture different opportunities.
- ✓ Know that market prices will change – ups and downs are normal.
- ✓ Do it now. There's no substitute for investing steadily over many years.
- ✓ Ignore the noise.

We're here to help.

Caribbean Growth Fund



HIGHLIGHTS:

- *The Fund gained 4.2% in the second quarter and is up 9.4% over the past year.*
- *Global equities rallied after some early trade-related volatility, while Caribbean shares mostly fell.*

The Fund gained 4.2% in the second quarter and is up 9.4% over the past year. The net asset value (NAV) per share as of June 27 was \$8.1156. Net assets of the Fund were \$716 million, up from \$645 million this time last year. The Fund’s annual compound rate of return since inception in 1996 is 7.6% per year. Its portfolio remains well diversified by security, geography, and currency.

Global shares came under significant stress at the start of the quarter but ended on a strong note. The drop came after the U.S. administration announced immediate and unexpectedly high tariffs on goods from its largest trading partners. Financial markets seized up for a few days until the implementation of the tariffs was eventually paused. Stocks recovered quickly as investors concluded the administration had limited tolerance for deep economic pain. Through the rest of the quarter, equities saw a sustained rally that pushed the broad U.S. index to all-time highs. Technology shares led the rebound and large-cap stocks outperformed smaller companies. U.S. corporate earnings were surprisingly healthy, although some companies withdrew guidance on tariff uncertainty. The S&P 500 index of large U.S. companies finished with an 11% return for the quarter, erasing its first quarter losses. International stocks strengthened further, with currency gains adding to returns in U.S. dollar terms. Emerging equities continued to rally despite negative headlines, adding to an already strong year led by China and Brazil. China responded to U.S. tariffs by imposing counter tariffs and easing monetary conditions. The two countries later reached a trade deal that was received positively by the market. The Fund’s core allocation to the Fortress International and Emerging Markets funds were up 12% and 15% respectively this quarter, while the U.S. Equity Fund was little changed.

Caribbean stock indices had a very different experience, ending the quarter lower. Jamaica was the weakest, down 6%, while Trinidad and Barbados declined 2%. Most of the Fund’s Caribbean holdings followed the trend of their respective markets. An exception was Guardian Holdings, which had a 19% total return for the quarter. This was a welcome recovery after a prolonged decline in the stock price since 2023. We had previously added to this position at lower levels as the valuation became one of the most compelling in the region.

During the quarter we made a switch out of part of the Fund’s position in Templeton Asian Smaller Companies Fund into a mix of core global equities. Despite intense and ongoing uncertainty, the U.S. economy appears to have avoided a meaningful slowdown for now. Shares around the world, in China, Brazil, and Europe have rallied, along with many currencies – and today they are still attractively priced. The everyday political noise is one thing, but the market opportunities are another. We continue to find shares of profitable, high-quality companies to own at reasonable prices all around the world and therefore remain constructive for the Fund’s return prospects.

The Fund is open to new subscriptions.

FUND OBJECTIVE

Capital growth over the long term. The Fund uses a value approach to invest primarily in Caribbean and international equities.

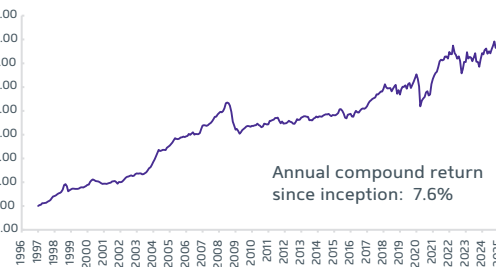
<i>Dealing</i>	Weekly on Fridays
<i>Net Asset Value per share</i>	\$8.1156
<i>Fund Net Assets</i>	\$715,662,939
<i>Fund Inception</i>	Dec 9, 1996

INVESTMENT RETURNS

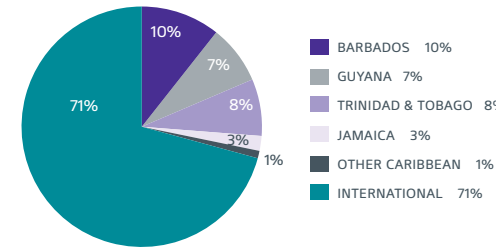
	3 Mo	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	Incept
Fortress	4.2%	9.4%	4.1%	7.8%	7.6%
Jamaica	-5.8%	-4.5%	-7.9%	-6.5%	5.2%
Trinidad	-2.1%	-8.7%	-9.2%	-4.8%	6.2%
Barbados	-2.1%	-3.9%	3.6%	-0.8%	2.8%
MSCI World	11.0%	16.2%	17.6%	15.0%	8.1%

*periods longer than 1 year are annual compound returns

NAV SINCE INCEPTION TO JUNE 30TH, 2025



GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION OF PORTFOLIO



TOP 5 HOLDINGS

<i>Holding</i>	<i>Country/Region</i>
1 Fortress International Equity Fund	International
2 Fortress US Equity Fund	US
3 Fortress Emerging Markets Fund	International
4 Berkshire Hathaway Inc Class B	US
5 Templeton Asian Smaller Companies	International

EXPENSES

Manager:
1.75% per annum on the first \$500 million of net assets
1.50% per annum on remaining balance of net assets
Custodian:
0.0875% on first \$30M in net assets
0.075% on amounts over \$30M in net assets
Administrator:
0.10% on the first \$30M in net assets
0.0875% on amounts over \$30M in net assets
Redemption Charge: none
Initial Charges: 2%

Where allocations are made to other Fortress funds, management fees are rebated to the Fund to avoid double charging.

MANAGER & ADMINISTRATOR
Fortress Fund Managers Ltd.

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SigniaGlobe Financial Group

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Caribbean High Interest Fund



HIGHLIGHTS:

- *The Fund gained 0.9% in the second quarter and is up 4.0% over the past year.*
- *Short-term U.S. treasuries and corporates gained while longer bonds fell as uncertainty increased around tariffs and their impact on inflation.*

The Fund gained 0.9% in the second quarter and is up 4.0% over the past year. The net asset value (NAV) of the Fund's Accumulation share as of June 27 was \$2.2703, while the Distribution share finished at \$1.0854. Net assets of the Fund were \$150 million, up from \$138 million this time last year. The Fund's annual compound rate of return since inception in 2002 is 3.6% per year. Its portfolio remains as diversified as possible across various issuers, industries, geographies, and terms to maturity.

Global bonds had a choppy quarter that ended with slightly positive returns. Despite a pause on major U.S. tariffs, the bond market still anticipated that economic damage from the policy uncertainty may cause the U.S. Federal Reserve (Fed) to cut rates later this year. This pushed short maturity yields lower, with the 2-year U.S. treasury yield falling from 3.9% to 3.7%. The Fed kept its target rate unchanged as it waited to see the impact on inflation from tariffs. Meanwhile, longer-term bond yields climbed due to concerns about more permanent inflation and high government debt levels. 30-year U.S. treasury yields rose from 4.6% to 4.8%. Among corporates, credit spreads ballooned in April amid tariff uncertainty but narrowed as tensions eased and some trade deals emerged. By the end of the quarter, spreads were slightly lower and back to historically tight levels. The Fund's core allocation to the US\$ Fortress Fixed Income Fund returned 1%, in line with the broad market. Our small allocations to emerging market bonds returned between 3% and 6%.

Lower short-term yields and higher long-term yields caused the U.S. yield curve to steepen. The U.S. first quarter GDP fell by 0.5% (as imports rose to front run the tariffs), but otherwise the U.S. economy remained surprisingly strong. On the longer end, growing concerns that deglobalisation and ongoing geopolitical tensions could disrupt supply chains and elevate costs also pushed yields higher. Fiscal worries added more pressure to long yields, as the proposed spending bill is expected to widen the deficit and lead to decades of higher borrowing. Moody's downgraded the U.S. sovereign rating this quarter to Aa1, now in line with other major agencies. We continue to favour only the highest quality corporate issuers, and treasuries in the Fund's portfolio.

Locally, the Government of Barbados added to its issuance programme, this time with a short-term US\$ denominated bond. Routine issuance of Treasury Bills continued but otherwise the local bond market was quiet. Moody's upgraded the long-term rating of the Government of Barbados to B2 from B3, citing fiscal improvements and expectations for higher real economic growth. This is a welcome uptick but still leaves the rating firmly in speculative territory. The Fund's local corporate bonds performed as expected during the quarter, and cash in the Fund rose to 13%. The average term to maturity of the portfolio is slightly above six years and the gross yield is now 4.1%, a good estimate of its medium-term return potential.

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FUND OBJECTIVE

Income and capital preservation over the medium term. The Fund actively invests in a diversified portfolio of primarily Caribbean and international debt securities.

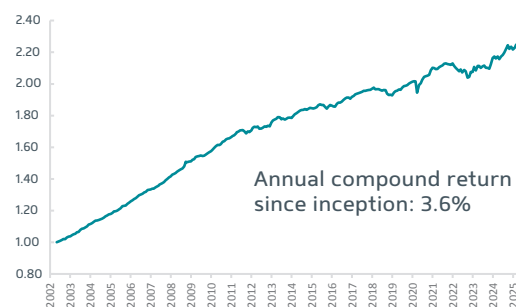
Dealing	Weekly on Fridays
Net Asset Value per share	\$2.2703/ \$ 1.0854
Fund Net Assets	\$150,231,241
Fund Inception	May 17, 2002

INVESTMENT RETURNS

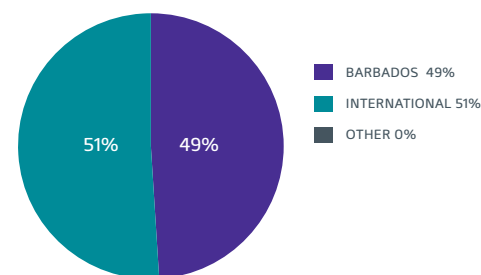
3 Months	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Inception
0.9%	4.0%	3.1%	2.3%	3.6%

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1 Fortress Fixed Income Fund	International
2 Deposits - CIBC Caribbean Bank	Barbados
3 Fortress World Fixed Income Fund	International
4 Barbados Series B Sep 30, 2033	Barbados
5 GEL Note Nov 30 2025	Barbados

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Caribbean Pension Fund



HIGHLIGHTS:

- The three classes of shares of the Pension Fund gained between 1.3% and 3.8% in the second quarter and are up between 4.6% and 9.0% over the past year. Global equities overcame trade and tariff fears to post a strong quarter.
- Returns by class of share are shown in the table to the right.

Adjusting our minds

Some things come unavoidably with being human. One of them is that the mind will overweigh information that is readily available. In times of abundance, and scarcity, we will often err in assuming that current conditions will persist forever. Again and again, our tendency is to put much value on that to which we have recently grown accustomed, taking for granted that what has always happened will continue. Hurricanes that miss our target, will forever; God is after all a Bajan. Good times will continue; bad times will never end. This is natural.

The situation in 2025 leaves much to ponder. There is another armed conflict added to the ongoing Russia-Ukraine war which seems to have no end in sight, the current U.S. administration continues to stretch expectations and norms, pressing hard on prior notions of what is to be expected of America. The markets have responded to this and more by swaying sometimes from drowning despair to fever pitch enthusiasm, a jittering along with much rise and fall despite actual conditions not changing all that much. Strange outcomes tend to cluster, especially in financial markets where there's a greater tendency to this overweighing of recent information, and we can see this being expressed today. But this too shall pass.

The key is to ignore the noise. Though it may seem hard, this is much of the recipe for success in investing. And it is a major part of what we do here at Fortress. What matters is that on your behalf we purchase shares of profitable, resilient companies at fair prices and that over the long term these choices deliver great reward. We see repeatedly that chaos in markets presents opportunity. We take advantage where there are bargains to be found, cutting through what we can of the misplaced sentiment prevailing in markets. We humans have plenty of noise in our lives – coming from inside and outside. The world is always changing and yet in important ways it is the same as it ever was. If we can ignore today's noise and stay focused on the long-term our investments will be better for it.

Investors in the Pension Fund typically select from three different classes of shares, based on personal circumstances and risk tolerance. These classes differ in how their assets are spread across the major asset classes of equities, bonds, and real estate and other assets. The graphs show how each of the classes (AA, CC, CS) is allocated currently. The reports on the Caribbean Growth Fund and Caribbean High Interest Fund on pages two and three of this quarterly report give you a direct look into the performance, positioning and outlook for the major underlying investments in the Pension Fund.

Fortress is a leading provider of investment management and pension administration services to defined contribution (DC) and defined benefit (DB) pension plans of all sizes.

In addition, our proprietary pension products serve companies and employees both before and after retirement:

Personal Pension (RRSP)

- Individual account for investing your own pension savings.
- If you change employers your accumulated pension savings can be transferred into an RRSP and remain invested as you select.

INNOVA Lifestage Income Plan

- An alternative to low rates on fixed annuities after retirement.
- You stay invested even in retirement and draw down a variable monthly pension from your own investment account.
- Any undrawn amount forms part of your estate.

The Fortress Caribbean Pension Fund is the primary investment offering behind all our pension products and for company defined contribution pension plans.

EXPENSES

Manager: 0.50% per annum of net assets at the Fund level.
Fees from the underlying Fortress funds in which the Fund invests are capped at between 0.25% and 0.50% per annum of net assets, depending on the fund.
Custodian: \$7,500 per year paid by the Fund as a whole.
Administrator: 0.03% per annum.
Sales Charge: None
Redemption Charge: none

MANAGER & ADMINISTRATOR

Fortress Fund Managers Ltd

CUSTODIAN

SigniaGlobe Financial Group

AUDITORS

EY Barbados

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW

Clarke Gittens Farmer

FUND OBJECTIVE

Capital growth, income and security over the long term, as appropriate to each class of share. The Fund invests in equities, fixed income, and real estate assets primarily via the other Fortress funds.

Net Asset Value

Per Share: \$34.35 / \$32.26 / \$20.72
(AA/CC/CS)

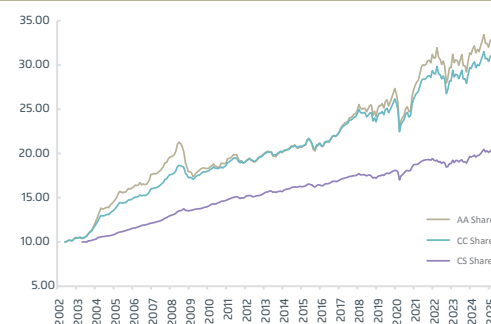
Fund Net Assets: \$447,451,782

INVESTMENT RETURNS

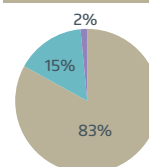
	3 Mo	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	Incept.
AA Share	3.8%	9.0%	4.5%	7.1%	5.5%
CC Share	3.1%	7.9%	4.3%	6.2%	5.2%
CS Share	1.3%	4.6%	3.2%	3.1%	3.3%

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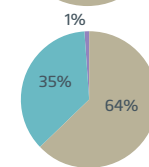


ASSET ALLOCATION



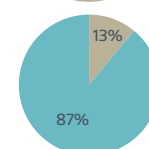
AGGRESSIVE ACCUMULATOR (AA)

EQUITIES 83%
FIXED INCOME 15%
REAL ESTATE/OTHER 2%



CONSERVATIVE CONSOLIDATOR (CC)

EQUITIES 64%
FIXED INCOME 35%
REAL ESTATE/OTHER 1%



CAPITAL SECURE (CS)

EQUITIES 13%
FIXED INCOME 87%
REAL ESTATE/OTHER <1%

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