Subject: Sharing our Thanksgiving blessings!

Dear ,

We are thankful for Donny, a 17-year-old boy who asks for help for his disabled and hungry uncle. He distributes food to the Mexican neighborhood in which he lives for a local church in south Jersey. He also came up with the idea of registering people to vote while they wait on line for food. Donny, also part of an experimental education cohort where 50 youth are attending college and high school at the same time, will graduate at 17 with a high school diploma and an associate degree. He dreams of attending an Ivy League school. Concurrently, he takes care of his 12-year-old brother while his mother works.

Donny is poised to transform lives in many ways, both small and large, but he is just one facet of what United Methodists can do in the face of adversity if given the resources to grow.

As United Methodists, we are committed to helping others prosper and to en(courage) others to make disciples of Jesus Christ, but [our church] can’t do it without you. Sometimes it takes a little extra help to empower someone to step outside a comfort zone, especially during this unprecedented time of challenges and uncertainty. We hope we can count on a gift from you today.

We are in awe of you, who despite significant obstacles overcome adversity and move forward to make a difference in the lives of others. Your stories of courage are what motivate us to work hard to do more. Our [ministry] has changed the face of our church, and through you God is working to do more for more people.

Mahatma Gandhi once said, “Be the change you wish to see in the world.” Together with your help we can make profound changes. Please consider making a gift today and being part of providing a brighter future for our neighbors here and those many miles away.

Wishing you and your families a bountiful Thanksgiving filled with many blessings!

Signed…

*P.S. If you have already given a gift, thank you. If not, kindly consider doing so before December 31, 2020.*