**Suggested Recipient: This is a letter for everybody who pledges and but is not a top giver (those who you can see are giving proportionally).**

***And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. 2 Corinthians 9:8***Dear………..,

We are thankful for your giving to the mission and ministry of [church name] this past year! Our prayer is that you are experiencing God at work in and through you as well as our [church name] congregation/church family. Your giving makes a difference and allows us to serve our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ community in these challenging times.

Even during the COVID-19 pandemic, this past year our congregation sowed seeds of ministry and mission that made a difference near and far. (Share two or three bullet points about where you have seen God working through the mission, ministry, and life of your church.)

* (e.g., we added technology to provide an online option of worship and keep people connected)

In our current worship series, “Releasing God’s Blessings,” we are pausing to celebrate and harvest stories about our ministries and impact. We are intentionally taking time reflect on all that God is providing us as individuals, families, and as a congregation. Then we are considering our own response to God’s blessings in terms of what we intend to give to God through [church name’s]’s ministry in 2023.

So, what are some of the blessings God has given you and how can you celebrate them? We invite you to prayerfully consider how you want to respond. What do you wish to give to God through our church’s ministry? Could you step up in giving 1 or 2% more of your income as you grow toward tithing? Your stepping up in giving would make a difference in what we are able to sow. The opportunities for ministry are many and needs of our neighbors are great.

A key is for you to decide in your heart and not give reluctantly but, whatever you decide, to give with *joy* from what

God has provided! This generosity is what allows us to be in ministry and mission together.

There is a pledge/commitment/estimate of hiving card for 2023 included with this mailing. Please fill it out and bring it to worship on (DATE or give instructions for submitting). We are going to sow God’s Good News generously in the coming year.

If you have questions or for conversation around this, please contact one of us. We join the Apostle Paul in praying that ***You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God!! 2 Corinthians 9:11***

Joining you in cheerful generosity,

(Pastor and Finance Chair or Generosity Team Chair)