Hello Friends,

Christmas is ALL about giving and receiving, and last year here at CCMC we did something new; a "Christmas Offering". We had 3 projects in mind: pay off debt from our 2017 addition; purchase a new church van; and to hold a Food Drop. Because of your generosity, we were able to accomplish all three of these. We paid off our debt in January; held a food drop in February to serve 142 families in



the area; and in September after a long wait, we received our new van. Because we were so blown away by what God did last year, we are super excited to tell you about this year's Christmas Offering.

The Church Board has again identified <u>three projects</u> for this offering, <u>all of them outside/beyond our annual church budget.</u>

- Sanctuary Remodel Many parts of the Sanctuary are originally from the mid 1960's when the church was built. This includes many stage improvements, electrical, lighting, the back wall, and more. Simply put, these areas are just in need of updating. It's normal to 'spruce' up your house when company like your family, friends and neighbors are coming over. It's time to spruce up and update the Sanctuary so it's a welcoming place for people to experience the life-changing message of Jesus.
- **A Food Drop** (Mobile Food Pantry) that will happen in our parking lot, staffed by CCMC volunteers, paid for by us to benefit our neighbors in need.
- Until All Hear a project being spearheaded by World Partners, the missionary agency of the Missionary Church, to share the gospel with specific unreached people groups around the world.

Here's the Challenge:

Prayerfully consider a Christmas gift to Jesus that is <u>over and above your normal giving.</u> Consider not only how this will stretch your faith, but also imagine the kingdom impact we can achieve <u>together</u> through this act of generosity. All of us are challenged to ask God this question.

God, based on everything you've given me, what would you have me do?

<u>When/How:</u> You can give starting immediately, but on <u>December 17</u> we'll pass the plates to receive this special Christmas Offering. Special envelopes will be available this Sunday. We assume many will give to the "Unspecified (general)" offering that will be used for all 3 projects, but if you're passionate about one of these areas, you can designate your gift to one of the projects specifically. The QR code we're sending will direct you to our App where you can give. If you normally give online, there are 4 Christmas Offering choices: Unspecified (general); Sanctuary Remodel; Food Drop; OR Until All Hear.

May God increase your faith and richly bless you this Christmas season.

Your Friends @ Cass City Missionary Church

