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Dear Trinity Family,

Over the past few weeks, we have been sharing about where we believe God is leading us over the course of the next three years. Trinity is being reenergized by this GO Initiative. It is apparent that God is on the move in our new location, encouraging and promoting our mission of Connecting People to Christ. First-time guests are coming to Trinity every week, and our opportunity to reach unchurched people is phenomenal. I believe God is motivating us in powerful ways.

The GO Initiative is a beautiful challenge that God has placed before us. Our leadership has prayerfully sought God's leading to ensure this was His timing and His plan for Trinity. We believe it is time and we are asking for faithful sacrifice from each one of us.

You have faithfully supported our regular ongoing budget each year to maintain our effective ministries. Now is time to give of ourselves and our financial resources above and beyond our regular practices. In doing so, you will support our mission in two important ways. First, by identifying and making a relational commitment to your "ONE". Each of us should commit to have at least one, local person in their life – faithfully praying that God will open opportunities to share the gospel, hope and love that only He could provide. Second, by making a financial commitment to the GO Fund. This fund is important, providing resources that position Trinity Church to make an intentional and eternal difference in our local community while covering the mortgage on our new mission outpost so that our current ministries are not interrupted.

In these days of preparation before Commitment Sunday on May 2nd, I encourage you to lean into the spiritual disciplines of prayer and discernment as you ask God *who* He is preparing to connect to Christ through you and *what* He would like you to give to the GO Fund to partner in His work.

Here are some practical tips to engage in the spiritual act of giving:

1. **Begin each day with prayer**. Ask God, "Who do you want me to invite into relationship so they can connect to Christ through me?", "What does 'sacrifice' look like for me and my family?", and "How can we faithfully respond to You call for financial generosity?"

- 2. **Be patient**. Through your diligent prayers give God time (and space) to speak. Take time to be silent with God. "Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10
- Talk with your family. Ask them what it might look like to give sacrificially. Here are some scriptures for your conversation: Proverbs 3:9-10; Proverbs 11:24-25; Matthew 6:19-20; Luke 6:38; 2 Corinthians 8:1-12; 2 Corinthians 9:6-12.
- 4. **Prepare for May 2nd (Commitment Sunday).** Praise God for His faithfulness toward you, your family, and this church. Come ready to respond to God's calling.
- 5. **Prepare for May 16th (Celebration Sunday).** We expect that God will move each of us to choose a ONE and to sacrificially give. Come with a heart ready to celebrate all the good work that God has done in us and all that He plans to do through Trinity Church.

Through your response to God's invitation and your generosity toward this call, Trinity Church will be positioned to impact our community with the message of God's saving love in Jesus Christ and to share the transforming power that is found in a Spirit-filled life with Him.

May God impassion your heart to join the effort. God is moving at Trinity. Will you move with Him?

Your Pastor and Friend,

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