

FW: To the Bayside Family

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Dear Bayside Family,

I don't send letters like this without a lot of thought. In fact, this is the only email like this I've sent in my 15 years as your pastor. **Please read all of it and respond as quickly as you can.** I have stunningly good news to share with you, but first, here is my concern.

The picture. There are thousands of families in our church and our community that are out of work and in desperate circumstances. Our community care and outreach programs are being stretched as the needs continue to rise. Last month, you responded to those needs with RADICAL GENEROSITY. You provided meals, clothing, and Christmas gifts to thousands of families in need. You volunteered over 4,000 hours to show our community God's love. I've never been more grateful to be your pastor.

The problem. While we've increased our giving to the community, our church income has remained the same. Because of your week-to-week faithfulness, and with some very good financial management, we've been able to stay close to budget all year. Until the last 2 weeks. The amount of income we have come to expect at year-end *just didn't happen*. Many of you gave generous and sacrificial year-end gifts, and I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart. But the fact is that we still find ourselves in need of a **\$250,000 Miracle** to meet our current budget.

Please read this end-of-the-year review and then take one of the 3 actions below. Your gifts truly do make a difference.

2009: A MONUMENTAL YEAR OF MINISTRY IN SPITE OF THE RECESSION. There's so much to share - I can only hit the highlights (maybe 5%) of how our church has served our community this year:

YOUR GIFTS ARE HELPING THOSE HIT HARDEST BY THE RECESSION

BAYSIDE CARE FUND - Last year, you helped over 2,500 families put food on the table and a roof over their heads

- \$262,000 given out in food, clothing, gas vouchers, and to help pay for living expenses like rent, heating and lighting bills, car repairs and crucial medical procedures

BAYSIDE GIVES BACK

- \$102,000 raised at a church-wide garage sale to support 24 local organizations that are helping the poor

FILL THE TRUCKS

- 48 tons of food donated to Placer County Food Bank
- 48 semi trucks of furniture, household items, and clothing for the Salvation Army

CHRISTMAS COMPASSION

- 4,000 gifts given to children
- 185 families provided with Thanksgiving & Christmas meals

CAREER COACHING

- 425 individuals registered for networking, coaching and encouragement to compete in the job market

YOUR GIFTS HELP THOSE IN PERSONAL AND RELATIONAL CRISIS

COUNSELING - Community Care counselors provided over 4,000 counseling sessions - an increase of 25% with no additional staff

ONEZONE - 1,500 people have been listened to and prayed for through this weekend prayer ministry

CELEBRATE RECOVERY - over 700 adults are finding freedom from addictive behaviors

LIFE HURTS, GOD HEALS - 200 students are being counseled and mentored to overcome addictions and destructive behavior

SUPPORT GROUPS - 700 people are involved in groups that help them deal with things like grief, cancer, divorce, blended families and crisis parenting

FINANCIAL COACHING - Crown Financial Ministries and Financial Peace University small groups are helping people get back on track financially

YOUR GIFTS LEAD TO TRANSFORMED LIVES

- THOUSANDS of people raised their hands to begin a new relationship with Jesus Christ last year
- 350 people were baptized
- 6,000 adults are studying God's Word and doing life together in small groups

YOUR GIFTS MAKE A DIFFERENCE AROUND THE WORLD

FAITH ALIVE CLINIC – 17,000 HIV/AIDS patients are seen every month

CELEBRATE RECOVERY– ministries launched in Nigeria and Colombia

AGAPE INTERNATIONAL MINISTRY PARTNERSHIP – rescuing and caring for the victims of Child Sex Trafficking in Cambodia

MEXICO OUTREACH – 6 homes built, 1 roofing project completed

FRESNO OUTREACH – nearly 500 high school students and adults built homes and led outreach ministries

COMPASSION INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIP – 1,200 children were sponsored and an estimated \$2.5 million will be poured into Africa, Colombia, and India over the next 5 years

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – 556 gifts were sent to children overseas

PEANUT BUTTER PROJECT – Breakaway kids raised \$18,926.16 for children in Nigeria and Cambodia

YOUR GIFTS ARE BEING MULTIPLIED!

30,000 people attended our Christmas Eve services and over 2,000 of them raised their hands to invite God into their lives!

Last weekend we saw overflow crowds (yeah, in January) and ***WE BELIEVE 2010 COULD BE OUR BEST YEAR OF MINISTRY – EVER!*** We aren't content to maintain the status quo, let alone start cutting ministry. But, we need all of us praying and all of us doing what we can financially to keep growing and reaching out to our community. In short, we need a **\$250,000 MIRACLE!**

There are 3 ways you can help *right now!*

1. Click [HERE](#) right now to give as large of a *one-time gift* as you can. Direct your giving to "Tithes." If we all do what God leads us to do, we can be a part of something amazing!
2. Mail in your gift today.
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P.O. Box 2336
Granite Bay, CA 95746
3. Drop your check off at the church offices this week.
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I've said it before, and I'll say it again because I mean it, you are the most generous church on the face of the planet! You always come through. I will be praying for you this week. Please pray for me. My message this weekend is **“ONE LIFE – MAKE IT COUNT.”** It's about God's call to **Radical Generosity** in every area of our lives. You don't want to miss it.
Grateful to serve with you,

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