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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

As the leaves turn color, the temperatures cool and the days shorten, our attention turns to a new season – we pray it will be a season of HOPE for all of you.

Helping **O**ther **P**eople **E**veryday - this is something Rejoice does extremely well. We are able to help many due to your faithful giving of time, talents and treasure. Being faithful stewards of God's gifts has a positive impact on our church, community and the world.

We were in a difficult financial position last year but true to form the congregation really stepped up. We were blessed to have many families follow through on their pledges this year, some increased their pledges and some friends and families did not pledge but have been giving regularly. Thanks to your faithful giving, we were able to give the staff much deserved raises and fund many of the budget items.

Hope, by definition, is confident expectation. It is with this expectation that we ask the friends and members of Rejoice to reflect upon the past year and to step out in faith this coming year. Take some time in the next few weeks and ask yourself and your family – what does faithful giving look like for me and my family?

Please review the enclosed flyer to see how Rejoice has given HOPE to many lives.

We are fortunate to be part of a vibrant community of faith that always steps up and "aces it." We pray that with God's help this tradition will continue.

In Christ,

The Rejoice Stewardship Team

1 Peter 4:10: Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.