

SAMPLE EMAIL TO ELDER/LEADERSHIP TEAM

Elder Team,

It's been a busy season; I trust that each of you are doing well.

As you know we announced on Sunday our annual Christmas Offering projects and goal. We've set a goal to raise \$18,000 in our Christmas Offering for the following projects:

Wayside Cross Ministry - Located in Elgin and Aurora, Bible Based, Christ Centered Ministry to the homeless, addicted and abused. Men and Women transformed by the Gospel of Jesus Christ. 50% of the offering will go toward this ministry.

Benevolence Fund - We want to continue to give toward the needs that arise in our own congregation and beyond.

Kid's Zone - We love our children and would like to provide new flooring in the large kid's area, new tile in the Kid's Zone hallway and other key building projects that make our building safe and beautiful.

Gospel Effectiveness - Whenever members of our church community are unable to come to service (due to a need to take precautionary measures), we've been able to bring church home to them through online streaming services. We want to continue to offer quality online church that edifies the people of God and proclaims the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Technology is expensive but we won't let costs keep us from proclaiming the Gospel. Your gift makes a big difference.

I'm writing this afternoon to ask for your help. I would like to tell the New Life Elgin congregation that we've already pledged X amount of dollars toward the Christmas Offering for 2021. **So, I'm asking that you prayerfully consider how much you will give to the Christmas Offering this year and let me know (private email, text or call) before this coming Sunday, November 21st.** No one in the congregation will know how much you are planning to give but they will see that we as an elder team have pledged to give X amount.

Chris and I believe that generous/extravagant giving starts with leadership, that is why we have decided to give \$1,000 (above our tithe) to the Elgin Christmas Offering

this year. Again the amount you pledge/give is confidential, my hope is that we as an elder team will set a good pace for the congregation to follow.

I appreciate your faithful service to the Lord Jesus and His Church.

In Jesus Love,
Pastor John

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PS. In case you missed it, I've also attached the Christmas letter that was included in each bulletin on Sunday.