



Proclaim the Wonders God Has Done

Anniversary Thankoffering 2017-2018

An update from your offering committee

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But not all have this privilege. Many still lack the opportunity or a place to worship. That is why we seek to fulfill our Lord's command with this special offering in order to

- go and make disciples of all the nations (Matt. 28:18-20),
- prepare under-shepherds to care for Christ's people (Acts 20:28b),
- reach the lost and dying for Christ (Lu. 19:10), and
- comfort and strengthen the saints (1 Thess. 4:18).



Pic: Hazel, our 93 year-old *Builders for Christ* volunteer who is also a member of Christ the King, Bell Gardens, California, helping with remodeling.

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NEW FOR 2017!
Text Giving at
507-607-7085

Some already prayerfully have made this commitment and are giving regularly to this offering. Others have set up deferred gifts to help our missions. How will you join in giving thanks?

Are you looking for a way to give?

Ways to Give

1. Give through your church

- *Note that your gift is for the Anniversary Thankoffering.*

2. Go online to els.org/donate

- *Select "Anniversary Offering." Or, you can set up monthly payments by setting up a profile for reoccurring gifts.*

3. NEW: Text your gift to [507-607-7085](tel:507-607-7085)

- *For the Anniversary Offering you may give by texting the gift amount to the above number, leaving a space and adding fund key AO (e.g. 100 AO). For first-time givers by text you will need to set up a credit or debit card account.*
- *Type #FUNDS to get a list of other fund options.*

4. Or, send your gift to

***Anniversary Offering
6 Browns Ct
Mankato, MN 56001***

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