

April 3, 2006

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings as we march toward Holy Week. I pray this letter finds you filled with awe and thanksgiving for the gift of our Lord Jesus Christ!

On behalf of our 25th Anniversary Campaign Team I am writing to invite your prayerful participation in this life-giving venture. As you may know our theme is Thank You, Lord! Our 25th Anniversary is in 2008. Some faith communities use significant anniversaries for themselves. Good Shepherd is being asked to mark this major anniversary with gifts to support vital outreach and evangelism ministries. We hope what we are embarking on is pleasing to God. We intend it as one way our thanksgiving to our Lord overflows.

Our hope is that you and yours will prayerfully discern how God is calling you to say Thank You through our campaign. Specifically, here's what I hope you will do:

- pray for guidance to determine what you want to do as a Thank You gift
- complete the enclosed Thank You, Lord! pledge form
- turn in the completed form as an act of worship on Sunday, April 30—Thank You, Lord! Sunday

Finally, as one of your pastors I want to thank you for the ways God has used you to further His Kingdom through our shared ministry. I pray that this campaign will energize us to holy and life giving ventures in risky faith. I hope you will be part of making this campaign an overflowing success. Be ready for ways in which we together can also give our labors to further these important ministries.

May God bless you with a generous and life-giving heart!

In Christ, Our Thanksgiving,

David A. Sloop, Senior Pastor