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Dear South Fellowship Family,

What a year! Firstly, a personal thank you as a new pastor at South! You have welcomed my family and I with a joy that perhaps only a real Jesus people can demonstrate! And you have done it in the midst of a pandemic! We have loved getting to know South but are also aware that we haven't seen South in its natural Sunday morning sense. I'm longing to do that! It has been a year where we have seen much of our **normal** disappear. That hurts. It has also challenged us in ways that we needed challenging!

At Christmas we reflect on the incredible word, incarnation. The entrance of the divine into the world, to live our story, the good parts and the not so good parts. It is a time where we recognize God's incredible generosity in giving the most valuable gift. As a community, we are thankful for your generosity. It has been inspiring to see the church's faithfulness in this unusual year! In the midst of a pandemic, God has used your generosity in some pretty incredible ways. In 2020, we are celebrating that South has:

- Provided support for 22 missionaries around the world, including sending out new partners in June
- Hired new lead and executive pastors
- Maintained healthy relationships with our local outreach partners
- Adapted to a digital world and provided high quality online experiences, reaching 27.3k views on YouTube and over 15k podcast downloads
- Used our redeveloped Food Bank to serve up to 60 families per week (a 25% increase)

We have witnessed the impact of a community living in the way of Jesus with the heart of Jesus in countless ways.

As you might know, December is one of our biggest giving months of the year. We typically bring in about \$150,000 this month, which is about \$60,000 higher than most other months. This helps us in two ways. We get to end the year well, and we get to start the new year strong, which is especially important as January and February are typically lower than our average.

We would love to ask if you would prayerfully consider South Fellowship as you plan your year-end giving. Your generosity puts us in a great position to activate South's vision for Littleton, Denver Metro, and the world. Would you help us get ready to meet what God has for us in the future? Financial gifts can be given at any of our weekend gatherings, in the South Fellowship App or online at southfellowship.org/give.

Thank you again for your extravagant generosity. We are on an exciting journey together!

Alex Walton Lead Pastor