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Open Your Eyes

*16 As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. 17 And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” 18 And **immediately** they left their nets and followed him. 19 As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. 20 **Immediately** he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him. — (Mark 1:16-20)*

Dear Fellow Saints!

Mark is such an interesting gospel. It is the earliest of all of the gospels and the writer is not interested in a bunch of stories that do not get quickly to the ultimate story, which is a crucified and risen Jesus for the world. God is indeed doing a new thing. There is a sense of urgency throughout the gospel. Jesus always seems to be on the move. There isn't much time to wait and consider all of the options.

In the passage above in which Jesus calls his disciples, you will note twice the writer uses the word immediately. It is a timing word. It is a word that has some force to it. *Immediately* is the word that can make the hairs on the back of your neck stand up, like when your mother tells you to go and clean your room, now! His demand isn't subject to you weighing the costs of cleaning or not cleaning your room, nor about when you will do it. It is now. That is the force of this term *immediately*.

So what makes this term important in this text and in this gospel? Being called to follow Jesus is not something that we Lutherans think much about. We like to think back to our calling in the waters of our baptisms, where God has claimed us and called us to be his children. Following Jesus has been, for most of us, a lifetime call. God has chosen to work through fallible human beings to bring about understanding and fulfillment. Our parents and sponsors brought us to the font and promised to raise us in the faith. They promised to teach us about what it meant to follow this Jesus by teaching us the Lord's Prayer, the Creeds and the Ten Commandments. They promised to bring us to church where we could continue to grow in the faith and learn what it means to follow Jesus. There might not seem to be much urgency in this picture, is there? I mean, we've got a lifetime, don't we? And yet, I wonder how much we understand what it means to hear Jesus' call to follow? If Jesus walked by your office cubicle, or your classroom, your living room, or your place of business, and called you to follow him now, what would you do?

You might think this is an unfair question. You might think of all kinds of good reasons why you might like to think about the call for a while. And yet, I am not sure that any of our good reasons take us off the hook. As we move into the season of Epiphany, it is a good time to look around and re-

And Listen

discover Jesus' call to us. From the waters of our baptisms throughout our lifetime, his call continues. Follow me.

How do you respond? Is the call to follow Jesus enticing enough for you to drop what you are doing and follow? Can you look around you and see the power of God reaching out to you, through you, that others might be loved and cared for? It might help to remember who is doing the calling, too.

Following Jesus does not guarantee a worry-free life. In fact, it might lead to more pain and suffering as you stand with those on the fringe of society and walk with those who are hurting. Following Jesus might mean that you put to death those things that draw you away from God – the hesitancy, the considerations, the “weighing of the facts.” It might mean that your life gets re-organized. Operating out of a Christ-centered heart might just free you up to see the world and your life in a new way. I wonder if Simon Peter, Andrew, James and John had little epiphanies as they were confronted by Jesus that day. Could they see something in Jesus that allowed them to trust his call? I suspect that that trust is what allowed them to simply drop the nets and follow.

While this story might seem far-fetched for us, I wonder if we miss little epiphanies all the time because we don't want to see them? We often choose to keep our eyes closed because we are afraid what we might see.

My Epiphany prayer for us this season is that we might keep our eyes open and be aware of God's presence in the midst of our life journey – where we work, play, and worship. Where is God calling you to follow? How might you discover life anew?

Happy Seeing!



Peace, Pastor Tim



Boundary Waters

The Boundary Waters canoe trip is set for July 1-6, 2012. We will be leaving out of Tuscarora Lodge on the Gunflint Trail in northern Minnesota. We need to have a \$100 deposit by January 15th in order to get the appropriate permits for our trip. The trip is open for all confirmation students and any interested adults. If you have questions, please talk to one of the pastors.

Prayer Vigil for Peace

Prayer Vigil for Peace meets Friday, Jan. 20, at 5:30 p.m. to reflect on and pray for peace.

Men's Bible Study

Don't forget Men's Bible Study each month at Tully's II on Monona Drive. We meet at 8 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 12.

Our Life Together



Annual Meeting

Our congregation and the St. Stephen's Foundation will convene their annual meetings starting at 9:10 on Jan. 29th. There will be sessions beforehand to talk about the budget and look at the reports. With that, please remember that it's time to get your end-of-year reports ready for the Annual Meeting. All **(copy ready) reports** that are to be included in the Annual Report are *due in the church office by Jan. 3.*



The Year of Water

In 2012, Monona will be focusing on the Year of Water. With prices having gone up 32%, this is a great time to think about the many ways we can conserve water. St. Stephen's will be part of that effort. You will see tips in the bulletin each week. The Community Gardens and the Building & Grounds Committee are talking about water-saving ideas. This will be a focus for the Green Team this year. For example, later in the spring, watch for a chance to get rain barrels.

Baptismal Anniversaries

The first Sunday of the Epiphany season is the Baptism of our Lord, on January 8. We'll hear about Jesus' baptism (Mark 1:4-11) and what that means for our own baptisms. We will also celebrate with a gift and continue praying for these 26 who were baptized at St. Stephen's in the past year: Gunnar Miles Hammergren; Kennedy Hope Kahl; Jude Gregory Ogunsola; Jameson Lee Roberts; the Chauhan family – Bal Chandra, Thagi Maya, Sangeeta, Geeta, Arati, Parabati, Laxmi & Sarswati; Drake Michael Lucas; Rileigh Jennifer Herfel; Carter Donald Hoffmann; Lily Faith Richardson; Wy-

eth Eloise Gladuestoltz; Scarlet Mae Thomas; Rowyn Shea Donegon; Jack Hudson Duarte; Adeline Pearl Schmidt; Ned Thomas Redmann; Jace Tyler Clist; Mia Jamison Blum; Braeden Allen Dietz; and Allen James Payton.

Confirmation

6th – 9th grade students, with families and mentors, gather on January 4 for our monthly meal night, 6:30 to 8:00. The remaining Wednesdays of the month, 7th – 9th graders resume our normal class schedule with pizza at 6:45 and "Re-form" videos until 8:00.

Retreat!

6th graders will be spending an overnight – hopefully with snow for the toboggan run – at Lutherdale Bible Camp on January 13-14. The retreat, focusing on the story of Jonah, is called "Big Fish!"

2011 Food Pantry Joy!

On behalf of the Food Pantry and the many needy families we serve, we want to express our sincere thanks for the amazing support we've received throughout the year and especially during the Holiday Food Drive. We exceeded previous years' amounts of food items donated. We thank all the businesses, the Monona Chamber of Commerce and the community for their generous donations. The food gifts received from Immaculate Heart, Winnequah & Glacial Drumin schools brought over 2,000 items. It is a special joy to see children wanting to help. Year 2011 was a very busy one as we served 3,856 households totaling 12,798 individuals. Because of countless volunteer hours, we have been able to continue this mission of caring for those in need. – St. Stephen's Food Pantry Board

Our Life Together

Music Rehearsals Resume January 11

Sanctuary Choir and GosBells members take a much needed break for the next two weeks, but rehearsals will resume at 6:00 pm (GosBells) and 7:30 pm (Choir) on Jan. 11th. We'd love to see some new faces, so if you are interested in joining as a ringer or a singer, please contact Rebecca (music@ststlc.net). Can't make a weekly commitment? We need "emergency" substitutes, too!

Women's Winter Day Retreat: Celebrating Her Generous Heart

What better way to spend a day in the middle of winter? Join us on Saturday, Jan. 28th from 9:30 to 4:30 at church for an inter-generational women's retreat. We will begin with an opening session on gender and generosity, led by Pastor Sara Yotter, followed by a delicious lunch catered by Bunky's. You will have lots of choices in the afternoon, including massages by Ellen Moen and Jessica Pauley (extra cost), breakout sessions (heart-healthy cooking, learn to knit, book discussion, more about Bold Café and our mission project: Little Dresses for Africa). We will end our day together with worship. The cost is \$20 for the whole day, and registration is due by Jan. 15. See the bulletin board for more information and registration forms. Invite a friend!

1 Pillowcase + Modification = 1 Dress

Needed: new or gently used pillowcases, double fold bias tape (any color) and 1/4" elastic for our mission project at the women's retreat on Jan. 28. We will be making little dresses that will be prized possessions for grateful girls in Africa. Please place them in the bin under the bulletin board at church!

Start Reading Now!

"29 Gifts: How a Month of Giving Can Change Your Life"

At age thirty-five, Cami Walker was burdened by an intensified struggle with multiple sclerosis, a chronic neurological disease that left her debilitated and depressed. Then she received an uncommon "prescription" from South African healer Mbali Creazzo: Give away 29 gifts in 29 days. 29 Gifts is the insightful story of the author's life change as she embraces and reflects on the naturally reciprocal process of giving. Julie Buss will be leading discussion on this book as a breakout session at the retreat. Books are available under retreat information for \$8.50, payable to St. Stephen's.

Women's Spiritual Formation

When life seems dry or the path hidden, a group of faithful travelers can encourage and support one another through prayer and meditation. Women's Formation is a time of listening and supportive feedback. All are welcome every 2nd & 4th Thursday from 4-5:30 in Fireside Room. For more information, contact Meg Nielsen at 838-8274 or churchladymeg@hotmail.com.



Thanks To All Who Provided Christmas Poinsettias

Hazel Anding in memory of LaVane Anding; Dick & Judy Benzine in honor of children & grandchildren; Caroline J. Bleck in memory of Reg Bleck; Judith & Allen Bodden in memory of Herbert & Eileen Bodden & Robert Bodden; Tom & Jean Boehnen in honor of our children & grandchildren; Ernie & Ginger Bollinger in honor of children & grandchildren and in memory of parents & brothers; Phyllis Buchholz in honor of Brandon, Keralah & Alannah Taylor and in memory of family members; Renee Burk in memory of my mother: Elaine Mohr; Julie Buss in honor of Nancy Buss and in memory of Stanley Buss; Claire & Scott Campbell in memory of parents: Alpha Olson and Richard Campbell; Fritz & Laurine Carstens in honor of children & grandchildren; Karl Cinlar in memory of Hazel Stewart; Edward Davison in memory of my twin sister: Sissy; Kersten & Darren Denzin in memory of Ken Larson and Mabel Denzin; Anna & Tim DiMenna in memory of Angela Drake; Larry & Barbara Dobie in memory of Mildred Raatz, Russell Raatz and Robert Dobie; Dave & Jane Dohler in memory of Vi Landsness; Joann & John Esser in memory of Minnie & Vincent Esser; Carolyn Evenstad in memory of daughter: Ellen; Chris & Dewey Gantz in honor of Ally & Elise; Jessie Lou Gasser in honor of Steve & Kevin Gasser and in memory of Donald Gasser and Louie & Jessie Freiling; Lisa Gasser in honor of my parents: Duke & Marian Dolva, my children: Kyle & Luke, and all my family and friends; Ken & Wava Grinde in honor of grandchildren & great-grandchildren; Larry & Marsha Gunderson in memory of Roger Gunderson; Bob & Monica Hansen in honor of Mairs & Norris Larson and in memory of James & Mayme Hansen; Gene & Jo Hanson in memory of our parents; June Hanson in honor of 8 grandchildren and in memory of Roland Hanson; Rod & Lorrie Helmke in honor of grandchildren: Shawn, Laura, Emily, Alec & Olivia; Leone Helstad in memory of Don Helstad; Marshall & Angela Heyworth in memory of Edward Heyworth; Sally Iverson in honor of my children & grandchildren and in memory of Allan; Barb Kepler in honor of grandchildren; Roger & Nancy Kinson in memory of Cynthia Burnside; Jim & Ruth Knutson...Soli Deo Gloria; Marjorie Lanphear in memory of David Smith; Acacia Latka & Nick Utphall in honor of our nieces & nephews: Alex, Sadie, Max, Katherine, Bennett, Weston, Anthony & Eva; Glen & Sally Lee in honor of Nadia Lee and Anna & Tim DiMenna and in memory of Ed Thomas and Cynthia Burnside; Rosemary & Don Lehman in memory of Luke Tenpas, Brandon Tenpas, Ethel & Art Freeman and Ruth & Frank Lehman; Anne E. Leske in memory of Charles & Evelyn Rowley; Mikayla Littel in memory of Kianté Marquis Colvin; Mike & Cyndi Littel in memory of Kara Littel; Gordon & Jan McChesney in honor of our family; Nate & Becky McConnell in memory of Austin and Mason Love; Curt & Rhonda Mork in honor of Robert Mork, Samuel & Ruby Iwanski; Jim & Teri O'Connor in memory of John & Dora O'Connor and Rose DuBois; Clair & Nancy Oren in memory of Kathy Oren Esse; Dolly Paterson in memory of my husband: David; Sarah Paterson in honor of Dolly Paterson and in memory of David G. Paterson; Terry L. Peterson in memory of Linda S. Peterson; Cary & Loree Pierce in memory of our parents; Dan & Lora Post in memory of Danny Post and Capt. Tyler Zillion-Rosado; Larry & Nancy Richardson in honor of our grandchildren: Madeline, Alexis, Jacob, Derek & Lily; Lisa, Kim, Amy & Nicole in honor of our parents Larry & Nancy Richardson; Cheryl Schiltz in honor of Pastors: Tim & Nick and in memory of Harvey & Mary Lou Witt (Mom & Pops) and Betty Raether; Bob & Phyllis Seiler in honor of grandchildren: Brea Ann Martinson, Carl & Claire Duesler; Laurie Slinde & Family; John Speranza in memory of Lee Speranza and Kathy King; Tom Speranza & Judy O'Leary in honor of our children; Mike & Judy Sullivan in memory of Bob & Lucy Bowen, Norb & Bev Sullivan and Dan & Ethel Powers; Steve & Jessica Sullivan in honor of Gilbert Manalli and in memory of Carol Sanborn; Chuck & Barb Wedekind; June Weitendorf in memory of my husband: Donald; Beverly Wilke in memory of Eugene Wilke and Marilyn Napstad; Betty Williamson in memory of my husband: Jim; Jim & Carol Wiskowski in honor of siblings & family and in memory of loved ones; Anonymous in honor of Kitchen Dancing

Our Life Together

Building & Property

Oct. - Dec. 2011 Quarterly Report

We have completed the installation of the drainage tile near the Fireside Room. The matting and 4" drainage pipe was donated by the Terra Co. and Madison Crushing and Excavation Co. The electric steam humidifier has been replaced with new humidifiers. The old humidifier was too expensive to maintain. With the new humidifiers, our annual maintenance agreement cost has been reduced by over \$500. Roger Kinson will be leaving our Committee after this year. Roger has been a long-time member of our church, has held many positions and been involved in many projects. Thanks Roger for your many years of service. As this year comes to a close, I want to thank the Committee for all their time in attending meetings and working on the numerous projects that were completed. Members are: Curt Mork (Vice Chairman), Shirley Worl (Secretary), Tom Moran, Don Lehman, Joe Herfel, Karl Cinlar, Roger Kinson, Dale Scovill, Chuck Wedekind & Monty Clifcorn. Finally, thanks to all the people who volunteered to help us. Without you, we could not have done it.
— Ron Schroeder, Chairman

Crochet/Knit Ministry

The main group normally meets the 1st and 3rd Sundays from 1-3 p.m. with a drop-in group meeting the 1st and 3rd Friday from 3:30-5:00 p.m. Both groups meet in Fireside. For info, call Karen Baier (279-5648).

Martin Luther King

"I still have a dream that with this faith we will be able to adjourn the councils of despair and bring new light into the dark chambers of pessimism. With this faith we will be able to speed up the day when there will be peace on earth and good will toward men."

Monday, January 16 is a federal holiday to recognize the birthday of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The church office will be closed in observance of the day. But you have the chance at a special celebration. Come to church 11:00 to around 11:30 for a chance to share some favorite parts of his speeches and reflect a bit for what they mean today. You can bring some words to share, or a snack! If you'd like to know more or want to help, talk to Pastor Nick.



Holden Village

Our initial registration has been sent to Holden Village. The Village can hold about 400 people at a time, and spots fill quickly, so we registered on Jan. 1 — the opening of 2012 availability. There may be a chance still to join the group for our trip, August 5-13. If you're interested, talk to Pastor Nick!

Un-Decorating

Mark your calendars to help wind lights and sweep needles as we take down Christmas decorations on Saturday, January 14 at 8:30.



Recently Hospitalized –

Tom Moran, Charles Hitt, Bob Schuller,
Betty Wilson, Janice Davison

New Mortgage Information

Original Balance (10/1/2010)	\$1,361,512
Interest Paid to Date	47,659
Principal Paid to Date	21,265
Remaining Balance	\$1,340,247



Birth Congrats –

Amelia Elizabeth Dever, daughter born
to Joseph Dever & Ann Eckerman-Dever
on Nov. 7

Preparing the Way

(thru 8th quarter – November 2009
thru October 2011)

Pledged to Date	\$ 285,386
Received to Date	\$ 258,686



Sympathy – to those who mourn the
death of Jordyn Nicol Cahill (Becky
Mitchell's niece); Jean Carlson (Stan
Carlson's daughter-in-law)



Food Pantry Need – The Pantry is in
need of the brown grocery bags .

Church Office Closings

Due to New Year's falling on a weekend, the
church office will be closed Monday, Jan. 2.

New Members

The following joined St. Stephen's Dec. 11:

Lester & Cheryl Mahaffay visited several
years ago and are now looking forward to
growth and serving opportunities. Lester's
interests include music and home repair and
Cheryl enjoys reading, music and family.
The openness, people, mission and preach-
ing drew them to St. Stephen's.

Rolfe & Mary Nervig learned about St. Ste-
phen's when Rolfe was on staff at the synod
office. Granddaughter, Ava, was also bap-
tized here. Mary is a clinical social worker in
private practice. Rolfe is a marketing busi-
ness developer. Some interests for both
Rolfe and Mary include reading, kayaking,
and cross-country skiing. They look forward
to being in a worshipping community where
they can serve and grow spiritually.

Wanted: Pampers Coupons!

If you have or get coupons for Pampers dia-
pers and have no need of them yourself,
Rebecca Redmann sure would like to get
them from you. You can give them to her in
person or leave them in her mailbox outside
the church office. Thanks!

Prayers for Deployed Military

Please keep in prayer the following people
currently serving in the military:

Chris Hudson deployed to Kosovo

Greg Post deployed to Germany

If you know of others to add, please call the
church office.

With a Thankful Heart

- to all who dropped off delicious treats for the staff during the Christmas season.
- to everyone who helped decorate the church inside or outside for the Christmas season.
- to the following who helped prepare/serve the funeral luncheon for Roger Gunderson: Lu Schroeder, Dolores Gust, Sally Iverson, Ginger Bollinger, Leone Helstad, Dorry Evans, Lisa Hansen and Carol Wiskowski.
- Special thanks to the congregation for the outstanding response for donations to the homeless ministry. They were very much appreciated.
- to Heide Powers, Karen Baier, Stephen Redmann, Angela Heyworth, Tim Hansen and Nick Utphall for sharing their voices as cantors on Sunday mornings and during the Wednesday Advent services.
- to Kristen Davies and Julie Buss for playing beautifully during the Wednesday Advent services.
- to Belle Heberling, Kyle Gasser, Jim Reichling, Dave Hansen, Glenn Nielsen, Julie Buss, Mishan Han, Karin Hansen, Anders Hansen, Kristen Davies, Max Ethridge and Jim Knutson for enhancing our Christmas Eve worship services with their musical talents.
- to Lisa Hansen, Jordan Powers, Monica Hansen and Alex Whitaker for jumping in and ringing handbells as substitutes on Christmas Eve.
- to Stephen Redmann for playing violin on Christmas morning.
- to all the volunteers who helped prepare the lunch for the family and friends of Jean Carlson: Sally Iverson, Ginger Bollinger,

Laura Nielsen, Sandy Knesting, Doris Brendler, Lu Schroeder, Nancy Morris and Wava Grinde.

Dear Friends at St. Stephen's!

Thank you so much for remembering Cynthia with your gift to her Memorial Fund! In this horribly sad time I do find a certain kind of comfort knowing that a wonderful ministry is being made possible at Dar al Kalima School in Bethlehem. Support and care from St. Stephen's mattered so much in this very painful time. I do thank you. —With Love, Bruce

Christmas lunch at Wil-Mar

The first snowfall of the year seemed perfectly timed the morning of December's free lunch at Wil-Mar. It was white and cold outside, but warm inside as the following volunteers whipped up and served lunch to 70 guests on Dec. 17th: Lisa Gasser, Jim Knutson, Cheri Schweitzer, John Esser, Jim Reichling, Betsy & Trey Powers, and Robert (grandson of Curt & Rhonda Mork). Special thanks to Lisa Gasser and her Mom for providing homemade Christmas cookies for each guest and to Jim Reichling for treating us all to beautiful Christmas carols on his trumpet during lunch. Those special touches REALLY meant a lot to the guests! We are always looking for new Wil-Mar volunteers. You don't have to be a chef; you just have to be eager to help! Please contact John Esser (jresser@charter.net) to volunteer.

Thank You, Thank You everybody!

In our beautiful celebrations of Christmas together this year, it occurred to me that Christmas must always be expanding, always growing, always more.

I don't mean that with a focus on financial outlook, wondering whether stores had greater sales and brought in more money than past years, or that you had more presents spread under your Christmas tree. Those probably get to be part of what I mean, but that's not the center of it.

Similarly, we may feel that we were busier than ever before in trying to make all of our important connections and see everybody we wanted to see and get the details done and celebrate in the right way. That business connects, but, again, is not the center of this expanding Christmas.

We had lots of people in worship for beautiful Christmas gatherings, but even that is not the fullness of what I mean in hoping that Christmas gets bigger each year.

My sense of an ever-expanding Christmas that must get bigger and bigger occurred to me while hearing the Christmas gospel from Luke 2. It begins in a very specific time and place: *In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered.* The story starts by pointing out that Caesar was in charge; when the Emperor of Rome required you to do something, you had better follow that decree.

Yet the tables quickly turn, because the herald angel announces a birth: *To you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord!*

We don't hear those titles how the original hearers would have. We only hear them applying to Jesus. But in that time, "Savior," "Lord," and even "Son of God" were titles that Caesar claimed for himself. The setting of this announcement is that a king sends out a messenger to let people know of the birth of his son. But in this case, God sends the messenger, and the message is that the titles don't belong to Caesar. Though the Roman Empire was big and strong, they weren't in charge. Devotion and allegiance is owed to a new and very different Lord and King.

The birth of Jesus, then, is framed as a direct confrontation to the powers of the empire. And that is what made me realize that Christmas must keep on expanding. Caesar is long gone, but new powers keep trying to claim that central place. As Jesus continues to arrive in our world, he must confront new despots and dictators who claim a greater role than they deserve, and he also stands over and against modern empires we see with a kinder eye.

More, it is not just political rulers who claim too great of influence. These days, Jesus must be arriving to stand over and against those with economic dominion, those with the clout to subject global markets to their

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whim, who end up in charge of so many dimensions of our lives. It is a confrontation with anything claiming undue authority.

This, then, is a restatement of the 1st Commandment: *You shall have no other gods before me*. The external forces or the internal drives that seek to take the central position in control of our lives must be driven out. Since new powers and new gods pop up every day, Jesus must continue to come and confront them.

This also is a message about what sort of God we have, and where this God comes to meet us. The first announcement of this birth was to shepherds, sketchy characters on the margins. And God still comes to the marginalized, and to the margins of our lives, to proclaim peace and freedom. As our world received its 7 billionth living human this year, that is a lot of lives Jesus has to encounter. As our world continues to suffer the effects of 7 billion humans interacting, it must be an ever-expanding task for the Christmas message to take on flesh and foster hope: *Peace on earth!*

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PS - Pastor Sharing

Lately, I've been reading a book you have likely heard of or read. *The Lemon Tree* is an amazing, personal view from both sides through the history of the Palestinian/Israeli conflict. I'll have the church copy back in the library soon!

Dear St. Stephen's,

First, I would like to express our deep sorrow for passing away of Cynthia Burnside, "May her Soul Rest in Peace"; and I would also like to thank you and every member in your congregation for the gift that you had sent to Augusta Victoria Hospital in Jerusalem for \$3262.66. This amount will go to the "Fund for the Poor" and will help children who suffer from kidney failure and others from cancer and need special medical care and social support. The gift given in the church's name will be used totally and directly to help these children live a normal life and can put a smile on the faces of our children and we assure you that this amount will help our mission at Augusta Victoria Hospital. Again, we thank you for supporting over half a century of healing at Augusta Victoria Hospital on the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem.

Sincerely,

Dr. Tawfiq A. Nasser
Chief Executive Officer

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