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Dear Virginia United Methodists,

As you know, the Virginia Conference has a strong tradition of serving others. This year at Annual Conference, we are focusing on how we can make a difference as disciples of Jesus Christ in the transformation of the world by our servant leadership.

How we serve God's mission is an integral part of discipleship. From serving a meal to someone who is hungry or homeless in our community to serving around the world with our gifts to vital ministries of recovery, healing and hope.

This year again our goal as a conference is to receive \$200,000 during our Saturday morning mission focused worship. Please review the list of missional priority projects designated to receive our gifts. As you read about them, please offer a prayer for their mission and witness.

I encourage you to join with me in a faithful responsive giving at Annual Conference this year with your gifts to the offering as well as renewing your commitment to be a servant leader making a difference with whatever gifts you have received.

Peace and Blessings,



Bishop Sharma D. Lewis