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Dear friends,

The last week of the year accounts for a surprisingly large percentage of total annual giving to charities. As we come to the end of the year, it is indeed a wonderful time to reflect on God's goodness to us and respond from hearts filled with thanksgiving.

As you plan your end-of-the-year giving, please prayerfully consider making the Gospel the central focus of your giving. Think first of **your church** and consider a generous gift over and above your regular tithe.

Also, may I ask you to consider the needs of **our diocese**, **ANiC**, and consider giving to help fuel our ministry priorities and growth. (See the <u>ANiC website</u> for information.)

And then consider how your giving can help meet desperate needs in our world. The **ARDFC** (Anglican Relief and Development Fund Canada) partners with Global South Anglican dioceses in meeting specific needs in their churches and communities. Currently ARDFC is funding a <a href="mailto:new pediatric ward">new pediatric ward</a> for an excellent health care centre in partnership with the Diocese of Yei, South Sudan. It is also raising money to help refugees from Iraq and Syria. (See the <a href="mailto:ARDFC website">ARDFC website</a> for information. You might also appreciate <a href="mailto:this short ARDF video">this short ARDF video</a> featuring our ACNA Primate as well as Global South Primates.)

With every blessing on you and your family now and in the New Year.

And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:19 ESV)

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