

JOURNEY TO GENEROSITY

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“God’s kingdom is the place of abundance
where every generous act overflows its original bounds
and becomes part of the unbounded grace of God
at work in the world.”

Henri J.M. Nouwen

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Life is an opportunity and a journey — a journey to saying “Yes” to God and God’s abundance. Life is a journey to love, to welcome and to invite; a journey to create peace and to live generously out of gratitude for all that we are given.

We hope that this year’s pledge campaign theme, Journey to Generosity, might be another opportunity to reflect on unbounded grace, to more truly believe that divine love, healing, and forgiveness are limitless. And, as we believe this, we participate in God’s boundless abundance through our own generosity, saying “Yes” once more to our Creator’s call to partnership.

Bishop Robert C. Wright of Atlanta writes:

“When we give, we are participating in the personhood of God. We are participating in what is most real in the universe — God’s inexhaustibility! We are making God real in the world by lending God our flesh through partnership.”

We are God’s. All we have is part of God’s abundance and a sign of that “unbounded grace of God at work in the world” of which Henri Nouwen speaks. There is a freedom we experience when we realize that we are not our own and, therefore, we offer ourselves once more to God’s work.

I invite you this year to accept this grace more fully and participate in that abundance by faithfully joining our journey to greater generosity.

Let us walk together in this so the glory of the kingdom might shine brighter through the mission and ministries of Grace Church for the good of us all!

Faithfully,

Rev. Christopher Morck