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Dear Friends,

Thank you! Your gift of \$1,000.00 to the Annual Fund is furthering our capacity to do the work of our mission, which is:

*to learn and teach how to be: attentive to God; responsible biblical and theological interpreters;
faithful individuals and communities acting with God to transform the world.*

It's a big task. And deeply meaningful. As I sit and reflect on the three aspects of our mission (which I hope you will do as well) and look at our world today, I find myself wondering, "What mission could be more critical?" People's hearts are parched, longing for the spiritual depth that comes from being *attentive to the Holy*. The loudest voices in Christianity today, and the media, portray a Christianity that is a far cry from what I understand being a follower of Jesus to be about, which demands from us to *offer different interpretations that are solid both biblically and theologically*. And to be quite frank, I am ready to be a part of a Christian movement that is more invested in bringing a slice of heaven to our world, than I am invested in waiting on the next 'return of Jesus,' which requires us to *partner with God* to make this happen.

It's a big task, and one that we *cannot* accomplish without your support. It is the generosity of people like you that allows Phillips to continue living the Way of Jesus in our world. Thank you for joining with us, as we journey this exciting and promising mission together.

Sincerely,

Geoffrey Brewster
Stewardship Director

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