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As the year has been progressing our financial position has been slowly declining. At our last monthly meeting we found ourselves to be a little over \$50,000 behind in our budgeted givings. We do have a small surplus in the bank but if we continue to keep programs going here at Devon Park as we have or begin new ones, we may not be able to because of financial restraints. It was decided to put this before you now in hopes that in the new year we can turn this around.

We would ask humbly and with prayerful consideration that you might consider an increase in your tithing or perhaps if you aren't tithing now that you would join us in this endeavor. We also realize that for some this is not possible so if you can't we ask that you make it a matter of prayer so as a board we would know what the Lord's will is in this matter and that He would give us the wisdom to understand His will. If you would like to begin tithing, just call the church office between Tuesday – Friday for more information. If you would like envelopes to let us know or if you would like to set up automatic withdrawal, please call and we can get that set up for you. If you would like to give your tithes and offerings by e-transfer, the email is [tithe@devonparkbaptist.com](mailto:tithe@devonparkbaptist.com) May we all be cheerful, faithful, and obedient givers for the glory of God's work in this place/around the world.

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