



Dear Pastor,

On behalf of the other congregations throughout Michigan with whom we partner in building the Kingdom of God, I thank you for the ministry you share in your local congregation and community. No matter how great or small our charge, each of us is doing a work that may bring an untold and unpredictable harvest, when the day of the harvest finally comes.

I thank you for your participation, anticipated participation or postponed participation in the “Sowing Seeds of Ministry” Region Offering. The effort has educated all of us in the ministries we share together and the vision of a common mission among Michigan’s ABC congregations.

In that vein I am asking that you pray during your services this week or during your prayer time over the weekend for the success of the Future Search gathering of ABC-MI leaders next week, June 2 – 4. This effort seeks to gain, from its 60 or so participants, the elements of a common vision of ministry and mission for our Region. To quote from the Future Search material,

“In a Future Search, people seek common ground rather than resolve conflicts; focus on the future rather than solve old problems; generate broad commitment to a common goal; and take responsibility for action.”

Certainly, if we are to chart a path for the spiritual development and progress of our common Michigan witness for so culturally and spiritually diverse personalities and perspectives as our ABC-MI community is, it will require prayer and commitment on the part of each participant and the supportive guiding prayers of our brothers and sisters throughout the state.

May we please count on you to join with us in prayer? Will you inform your congregation of what we are doing and seek their prayers for us as well? We continue to hold to the belief that the “prayers of the righteous avail much” and ask that you and your congregation’s prayers join with our congregations’ in seeking the mind of Christ and having the heart of the faithful to be invested in this blessed work.

Thank you very much. May God continue to bless you and your ministry.

In His Service,

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