

December 9, 2009

Dear Friend,

We also write today with our vital ministry partnerships in mind. In this struggling economy, we have had some partners lose jobs or have their hours cut back. As much as they wanted to continue supporting our work, they had to put the needs of their own families first.

Currently, we are thousands of dollars short of our budgeted amount for the year. We're embarrassed to say exactly how much, but we are only meeting 76% of our monthly goal based upon the past 13 months of giving.

*In order to continue full-time helping students, scholars and their families make connections in the body of Christ in Lincoln and be challenged spiritually, we need adequate funds to cover both our living and ministry expenses. Our next paycheck is reduced accordingly if the funds are not there to cover both.*

At one point, our ministry account balance with InterFACE was over \$2000 in deficit. Through good stewardship and God's grace, we have been able to press on.

**Special gifts at this time would greatly be appreciated. It is also a good time to increase your charitable giving for the year if you itemize on your tax returns.**

It is our goal to not only end the year in good standing, but also to have a financial springboard into 2010 which will provide a buffer against ongoing, monthly shortfall. We're praying for about 40 partners who will be committed to giving the equivalent of \$30/month.

**Would you be in a position to send a special gift through InterFACE Ministries in December to help with our needs? If you are not a regular contributor, would you consider becoming one?**

The enclosed sheet explains how to give to our ministry through InterFACE.

We're eager to answer any questions you have and welcome your calls or e-mail. We also thank you in advance for your prayerful consideration.

**With gratitude for your prayers,**

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