WELCOME TO THE MANAGER'S DESK, I'M MIKE CORNELL.

IF IT WEREN'T FOR COVID CONCERNS, WE WOULD BE LOOKING FORWARD TO OUR CHRISTMAS CONCERT THIS EVENING FEATURING THE BALL BROTHERS. IF IT WEREN'T FOR COVID. HOW MANY OF YOUR PLANS HAS THE VIRUS DISRUPTED? HOPEFULLY THINGS WILL GET BACK CLOSER TO NORMAL NEXT YEAR.

I'VE BEEN FOCUSING A LOT ON 'NEXT YEAR' THIS WEEK. THIS SATURDAY, OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETS FOR THEIR QUARTERLY MEETING. NORMALLY WE HAVE OUR STAFF AND BOARD ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER THE SAME DAY. NOT THIS YEAR. COVID. BUT AT THIS MEETING, I WILL BE PROPOSING OUR BUDGET FOR NEXT YEAR. I AM TIRED OF LOOKING AT NUMBERS. BUT IT COMES WITH THE JOB. IF ALL GOES TO PLAN OUR PROJECTED EXPENSES NEXT YEAR WILL ACTUALLY BE A LITTLE LOWER THAN THIS YEAR. AT LEAST THE KNOWN EXPENSES AT THIS TIME. THINGS CAN CHANGE IN A HURRY IF SOMETHING BREAKS DOWN.

I AM ENCOURAGED BY OUR GIVING THUS FAR THIS YEAR. IF YOU REMEMBER BACK TO LAST YEAR, WHEN WE BEGAN THE MONTH OF DECEMBER WE WERE AROUND \$100,000 IN THE RED. IT SEEMS AN INSURMOUNTABLE DEFICIT TO MAKE UP IN ONLY ONE MONTH. ESPECIALLY AFTER WE HAD JUST FINISHED RAISING \$105,000 FOR THE NEW SURING TRANSMITTER. BUT GOD. YES, THE LORD BROUGHT IT ALL IN AND THEN SOME. WE FINISHED LAST YEAR IN THE BLACK. THIS YEAR, OUR RED INK IS AT AROUND \$12,000. WHICH MEANS TO FINISH IN THE BLACK THIS YEAR, WE NEED AT LEAST \$12,000 MORE COMING IN THAN GOES OUT. AFTER LAST YEAR'S NUMBERS CAN WE EVEN DOUBT THE LORD CAN MEET THAT NEED?

GOD MEETS OUR NEEDS THROUGH LISTENERS LIKE YOU. FOR OVER 53 YEARS IT HAS BEEN THE GENEROUS GIFTS FROM LISTENERS THAT HAVE SUSTAINED THIS MINISTRY. I USE THE WORDS "THIS MINISTRY" BECAUSE IT IS NOT "OUR MINISTRY" AS IN THE STAFF'S OR BOARD OF DIRECTORS. IT IS JUST AS MUCH YOURS AS IT IS MINE AS YOU HELP TO SUPPORT WRVM. RECENTLY MY WIFE QUESTIONED WHY I CONTRIBUTE TO WRVM MONTHLY WHEN THAT IS WHERE I WORK. I TOLD HER, I BENEFIT BY LISTENING JUST LIKE THE NEXT PERSON AND I CAN'T ASK THEM TO DO SOMETHING I'M NOT WILLING TO DO MYSELF. IF GOD LAYS IT ON YOUR HEART TO GIVE I ENCOURAGE YOU TO DO SO.

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THANK YOU FOR JOINING ME FOR THE MANAGER'S DESK, I'M MIKE CORNELL.