



Letter to the Fringe

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Dear

I am writing to thank you for your membership of and support for **[name of church]**. It's good to have you as part of our church.

Our Church is going through an important time in its ministry. That is why I am writing to you as someone who worships with us regularly to ask you to consider the financial support you give to our church. Please think for a moment about what our church means to you.

[Name of church] is a vital part of our community. Week by week we welcome people to be married here or bring their children to be baptised and we share their joy. Week by week we are privileged through our ministry to offer support to those who have lost loved ones. Week by week we meet to worship, to learn to pray and provide many activities for all ages open to our community.

I am encouraged by the time, skills and energy which people bring to the church and also the financial support given week by week. The money does matter and that is why we are asking for your help

You know that it is important that **[name of church]** can meet its day to day bills for our building, the insurance, heating, our clergy and to continue to provide the range of activities that makes up the life of our church. You may not realise that this comes to a staggering **£xxx** per week. We do receive money from funeral and wedding fees and also from fundraising we do during the year; but the vast majority comes from our regular church members giving faithfully each week through their envelopes or standing orders.

You too can do one thing very positive and definite to help. We are asking you to join our confidential Planned Giving scheme either by taking our weekly giving envelopes or a monthly standing order, whichever is most convenient for you, so that you can give regularly. This will help us to plan how much income we will have and will help you to give regularly in support of your church.

Thank you for reading this letter and the thoughtful way in which we know you will respond. I hope and pray that you will join us in regular financial support for our church. If you need further information or want to talk this through with someone please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours in His service

Vicar

PS. The planned giving scheme is vital to our church's future. Please join and support your church. Any financial details will be confidential to our planned giving officer but I will be aware of the overall response and I will write to thank all those who respond.