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Dear Friends in Christ;

Since Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, (CLC), announced it's intentions to commission an endowment fund for the purpose of perpetuating the 128-year mission of CLC in the Ozone Park community over the summer, many of you have requested more information, and inquired as to how you can help.

First let me say thank you to everyone for your enthusiasm, your participation, and your desire to make this dream a reality. Setting up the endowment fund will take some time and a lot of research and proper planning, as there are many factors involved, and this is all very new to us.

You may help us achieve this goal in several ways, first, if you know of someone, a lawyer, accountant, and/or financial consultant who is familiar with setting up and establishing an endowment fund for a not-for-profit Christian organization and who also has knowledge of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America's (ELCA's), do's and don'ts regarding the establishment and running of endowment funds, or if you yourself have this knowledge, and can volunteer at least some of your time to this project, please contact us at 718-843-1247, or through the website, at www.CLCOZONEPARK.org, as soon as possible.

Secondly, you may help by starting your own fundraising event for the endowment fund, and encourage your family, friends, and even your co-workers to do the same. The easiest way is simply to snail mail, and/or e-mail everyone telling them about your involvement in the endowment fundraiser. An example of a letter that you can use, announcing your fundraising effort is attached, please feel free to change the date, sign your name, and send it on it's way to your family, friends, and co-workers with a little prayer for a successful campaign.

Lastly, donate what you yourself can to the endowment fund, even if it is just the loose change, and/or the dollar bills in your pocket at the end of each day, it all adds up, and yes, every little bit does in fact help.

Once again, thank you for your continued support. Together we can make this dream a reality!

Yours in Christ,

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