

Offering invitation and blessing



Invitation

It's wonderful to read of how the Holy Spirit moved among the early church, adding to their numbers daily. It's also a blessing to know that God continues to move mightily in our church and in our world today.

Through the ministries of the Church of the Brethren, disciples are equipped to serve as the hands and feet of Jesus and to dive deeper in their faith. Pastors and leaders are called and encouraged as they care for congregations and communities. New churches are planted and nurtured while established churches are renewed and reenergized for mission. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, communities in the United States and around the world are transformed for the glory of God and our neighbor's good.

As we celebrate the new life of faith in the early church, we rejoice all the more in what God is still doing among us. Let us give, celebrating God's wonderful works in this day and age.

Blessing

Thank you, gracious God, for the abundance of your blessings that we experience and that are present in the world. We offer these gifts, believing that they will do great things for your good purposes. Use this offering and our lives to declare your hope and love. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.