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Our giving transforms lives and makes ministry happen!

So far in 2021, our congregation has given $\_\_\_\_\_ in core support to Disciples Mission Fund. DMF is one of the most important ways we can stay connected with the whole Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Did you know that part of every DMF dollar we give stays in our region? That makes it possible for \_\_\_\_(insert ways your church has participated in the region’s ministry – maybe you’ve sent kids to camp, or your regional minister has helped you call a new pastor)\_\_\_\_

The rest goes on to make ministry happen across the church. DMF supports hospital and military chaplains, provides resources for children and youth, encourages creation care, helps Disciples serve in their communities, connects us to ministry partners around the world, and so much more. Remember when we \_\_\_(insert some way your congregation has participated in the wider church, such as attending a General Assembly or receiving a grant for assistance)\_\_\_\_? That was DMF at work, too!

We’ve also given $\_\_\_\_\_ to Special Day Offerings, $\_\_\_\_\_ to Reconciliation Ministry, which helps us do the hard work of being an anti-racist church, and $\_\_\_\_\_\_ to Week of Compassion, which provides humanitarian aid and disaster relief around the world. It’s incredible that we can do so much good work from right here in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Thank you for your generosity!