



OFFERING TALK - ABBREVIATED

Together we do more to light the path

Scripture Passage: Matthew 25: 1-13 (NRSV)

As part of the United Methodist connection, our gifts stretch far beyond this congregation. Our community of love touches lives around the world. **Together we shine a light into the shadows of despair, poverty, and oppression.** We brighten communities through initiatives like education, leadership development, and disaster response.

Are we willing to be like the wise bridesmaids? Will we prepare ourselves with lamps full of oil to light the way for the empire of Jesus?.

Each dollar that is offered through our church joins with others' and makes it possible to brighten lives around the world.

Please prayerfully consider your role in keeping the lamps lit and your commitment to adding more light to the path. As we use our light to spark the lamp of another's we begin to illuminate the Divine Love among us.

May your lamps shine brightly, lighting the way for Jesus Christ so that all who you meet will know his love.



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