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TO ALL OUR AWESOME CHURCHES IN AND AROUND RANDOLPH AND BEYOND . . .

Dear Church Families,

Greetings in the name of our Lord! I hope this letter finds you in good health and high spirits.

We are reaching out to you with a heartfelt invitation to join us in a meaningful initiative: Bethel's Garden—a community garden project dedicated to nourishing both body and soul.

Our community, like so many others, faces challenges that extend beyond the walls of our homes and churches. Families struggle with food insecurity, children lack access to fresh, healthy produce, and our elderly neighbors often feel disconnected and in need of fellowship. We believe that through unity and faith, we can be a beacon of hope. Bethel's Garden is more than just a place where vegetables grow — it is a space where love, service, and compassion take root.

We are seeking your partnership in this mission. As a church dedicated to service, we know that you share our passion for uplifting and strengthening our community. Here's how you and your congregation can help:

Volunteers – We need hands to plant, water, and harvest the fruits of our labor. Whether it's once a week or once a month, every effort counts.

Donations – Seeds, gardening tools, soil, gloves, compost, fencing, and other supplies are essential to building a thriving garden. Monetary contributions will also go a long way in sustaining our efforts. Of the 56 African American Churches in our immediate

vicinity, we are requesting a monetary gift in the amount of \$25.00 to help us launch this aggressive mission.

Prayer & Outreach – We ask for your prayers and for you to spread the word among your members, youth groups, and ministries about the opportunity to serve in a meaningful way.

Through Bethel's Garden, we envision a future where our churches and community members stand together, not just in worship but in action—feeding the hungry, strengthening the weak, and sowing seeds of kindness that will bear fruit for generations to come.

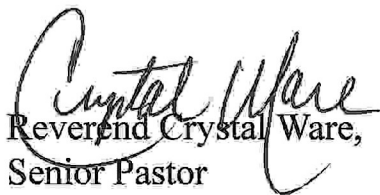
We would love the opportunity to discuss how we can work together. Please feel free to contact us through Mrs. Pate [(334) 863-0152] or my email [crystal.ware11@gmail.com] so we can explore ways to tailor your church's involvement.

We have a website that you can visit to join us in this project, or sign up as a Volunteer. www.bethelsgarden.com on the world wide web. You will find lots of information there about this project. Our site is designed to serve as a “hub” for volunteers and interested individuals and groups.

Thank you for your time, your faith, and your heart and thank each of you for being a valued part of our community. We look forward to growing something special — together!

Yours in Christ,

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