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Dear Friend of Koinonia,

It's been an abundant summer, with large, generous gifts received from many (Thank you!) and in turn, large investments made in infrastructure and in the young people we care for. These gifts and investments have made a huge difference in the comfort of our guests, and in programmatic experiences that are transformative. You will see this in the Koinonia Ripples newsletter.

Tomorrow, I will move on to the Metro New York Synod. The onsite and online year-round staff, in partnership with the Koinonia Board, are preparing for a second search to find and welcome the next right Executive Director. I ask that you show your appreciation for the hard-working staff, board, and volunteers at Koinonia with a generous gift, now.

As you certainly know, Koinonia's ministry is dependent on the generosity of donors such as you. I know you may plan to send your gift in support of Koinonia later this year, but I am asking you to consider sending a gift, of any amount possible, in the next couple of weeks to celebrate our accomplishments and encourage the board and staff to "carry on."

The gift you can send now - \$250, \$1,000, \$100, \$5,000 or \$50 – whatever you can give will be a great help. The board, staff, and I are confident we will move through this transition with your support and will soon celebrate a new chapter of leadership and abundance. And yes, these are beautiful days at Koinonia. Your gift will be a message of love and support to those who receive it.

Please, make your gift now, whether it is a one time donation, or a monthly contribution, [HERE](#)

Thank you for all your gifts-it has made being your Executive Director a joy! I'm asking for the last time for Koinonia, and I know you will flood the camp with your love. God Bless you!

With you in Koinonia and in Christ,

Dr. Kathleen Kristin Ruen
Executive Director