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My beloved Church Family,

Christ is Among Us!

As we announced last month, unfortunately, our MAJOR Fundraisers have once again been cancelled for a second year as we continue to deal with the COVID pandemic and provincial closures. Regardless of these obstacles, our Church continues to faithfully serve our community!

Unfortunately, due to the age of the building, which is around 175 yrs old, our Church interior and exterior continuously require maintenance to keep it functioning. Last year, due to your generosity, we were able to raise enough funds to renovate the interior (Nave and Sanctuary) of the Church which were areas that required immediate attention.

This year we are faced with another major issue. The stucco on the exterior of the Church is cracked and falling apart. Though attempts have been made to patch it up, it is beyond repair at this point and requires to be fully redone. After consulting with various companies, all suggested that plain stucco would not suffice and would need to be redone in a few years because of the physical location and weather damage that is caused as a result. Each suggested an upgrade to styrofoam AND stucco which would allow for a more permanent solution. The difference in cost between the two methods is \$8,000. Having discussed these options with our Leadership team, we have decided it would be most cost-effective to go with the styrofoam AND stucco option.

In order to complete this necessary repair, while it is still warm as it must be completed before October, we must raise a total of **\$30,000** ASAP to cover the total cost.

I am asking, from the bottom of my heart, for each family to please donate towards this. If 100 families donate **\$300** and we will have met our goal and will be able to fully complete the exterior of the Church before autumn.

To donate please use either method below:

**eTransfer** use our email address: [stnektariosgoc@gmail.com](mailto:stnektariosgoc@gmail.com)

**PayPal** go to: [https://www.paypal.com/donate/?cmd=s-xclick&hosted\\_button\\_id=CCJMTVZT3QNE4&source=url](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?cmd=s-xclick&hosted_button_id=CCJMTVZT3QNE4&source=url)

*In the notes section, kindly mention this is a donation for: **Project Stucco***

Please remember, this is first and foremost GOD'S home as well OUR home. God WILL reward each of you for your help! This guarantee.

With fatherly love and blessings,

+ Fr. Theodoros