

December 2023

Dear Pastor,

Greetings in the name of our Lord! We are so thankful for your faithful witness in your community and for your partnership with Nazarene Theological Seminary.

Your support for *Our Seminary* helps prepare pastors, leaders, and churches to be ready – ready to proclaim the gospel faithfully and effectively in a rapidly changing world. *Our Seminary* graduates are ready to preach, ready to lead, ready to serve, and ready to help transform communities.

Your church's investment to our Seminary Sunday fund will impact God-called servants. Sunday, January 28, 2024, is designated "Seminary Sunday" across the Church. (You may choose a different Sunday to fit your congregation's schedule if desired.)

I am asking you, Pastor, to do two simple things in your worship service that day:

- 1. **Pray for the work of our seminary**. Consider showing the Seminary Sunday video in your worship service and take a few moments to pray for the students, faculty, and staff. The video, a responsive corporate prayer, bulletin inserts, and slide decks to use in worship are all available for download in Spanish and English at **www.nts.edu/seminarysunday**.
- Invite your people to give as the Lord might direct. No pressure is needed, just offer your people the opportunity. You can then mail your church's gift marked "Seminary Sunday 2024" in the memo line to NTS (1700 E Meyer Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64131) or make the gift online at www.nts.edu/seminarysunday24.

I know that some churches simply include NTS in their annual budget. We are grateful for this. However, just as important as the financial gift is that you and your people might remember us in your corporate prayer. Thank you for considering the gift of a few moments in your worship gathering to do this.

The peace of our Lord,

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Dr. Jeren Rowell, President