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Sowing Hopefully

Dear Pastor,

You are familiar with Jesus' parables of the seed, and no doubt also with Paul's observation in II Corinthians 9:6: "But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, **and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.**"

Wisconsin's economy is heavily agricultural in nature. I always marvel at the vast fields of corn, soy beans and other grains anytime I drive through the Midwest. We have learned to sow bountifully and because of that we also reap bountifully.



Ministry, like farming, is hard work. But like farming, it comes with a promise. When we sow bountifully, we will also reap bountifully. We need to remind ourselves of this, because in ministry, the "sowing" doesn't always—or even typically—produce that "reaping" as quickly as we would like.

I want to encourage you in two areas. First, keep on sowing—bountifully—the good truth of God's Word in your own life, the life of your family and the life of your church family. If you sow bountifully, you will reap bountifully. It may not happen today or tomorrow, but it will happen.

May I also challenge you to include at least one elected official in the list of those whose lives you desire to reach with your seed sowing? Just imagine the impact for the Kingdom of God if every elected official in our state had at least one gospel-believing pastor sowing the seed of the truth of God's Word on a regular basis into his/her life?

I suspect that a lot of the evil we see happening today is because we, as believers, have been sowing way too sparingly. Let's recommit ourselves and our ministries to bountiful sowing, because that kind of sowing comes with the hope and promise of a bountiful harvest.

In Christ,

Dave Lingle
WFC Church Ambassador



PS: Navigating current events is hard enough for adults, let alone for the youth in our churches! Share LEAD Online with the teens in your church today! For more information and to register for this summer's online camp, visit www.LEADwi.org. (July 27-31 - 9am-2pm)

PPS: Your elected officials are easier to connect with than you might realize. Please contact me for help in identifying and connecting with your elected officials. My cell # is 920-342-1928.

PPPS: If you are in the Racine area, we hope you will join us for our community event on Thursday, July 23rd, from 6-8 p.m. For details and to register, visit us online [HERE](#).