

Each month, on the first Sunday of the month, we have a mission moment where we spotlight a particular group our church has chosen to support. A member of the congregation tells us about the outreach and services this group provides, their goals, and how our church can help through financial support and sometimes volunteering as well.

Commented [JS1]: Here, Michele briefly explains what the Mission Moment is. This isn't needed every month, but it's helpful to do something like this from time to time. Without coming out and saying it, Michele is implying that we have a special offering each month and people need to decide what they're going to support.

This month's mission moment is closer to home ... in fact, our church home. The UCC's Strengthen the Church offering and the DOC's Pentecost offering jointly support our churches throughout the U.S. and Canada.

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Our support makes it possible to plant new churches, invest in new ministries, awaken new ideas in existing ministries, and empower the oppressed and disenfranchised.

Commented [JS3]: Michele explains what the offering does.

When I come here on Sunday, I feel blessed that I have a church home where I know I will be nourished thru the teachings of my pastors in Jesus's name, and where our congregation welcomes everyone "wherever they are on life's journey".

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I wish that the experience of having a church home like Niles Discovery Church could grow tenfold, and that anyone who is searching for a community of people who love God and all of his children without judgement find their own church home. Next Sunday, please give generously so we can keep on building church homes.

Commented [JS5]: Michele explains why she supports the offering.

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