# **Sample Letter/Email/talking Points for Your Financial and Ministry Leaders**

Dear \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,

I first want to thank you for your investment as a ministry and financial leader at (name of church). We would not be who we are and could not do what we do ministering to our people, our community, and around the world without your involvement and your leadership.

I also wanted to share with you and celebrate how our church is responding in an amazing way to these unprecedented times we find ourselves in. I could not be more proud of and pleased with how each of you and many, many others in our church are continuing to **be** the church when we are not presently able to gather **at** the church.

Let me share with you a few ways that is happening (contextualize for your church):

* Our **children’s leaders** have made contact with the parents and have shared helpful resources (Bible stories/family activities/etc.) to help our families remain strong and engaged!
* Our **student leaders** are hosting weekly online Bible studies for the students and are even having their own online worship service each Sunday!
* Our **deacons** are reaching out to our elderly and homebound to make sure we are doing everything possible to help them through this season.
* Several of our people are **creating online community groups** for their neighbors
* Our **prayer team** has created a prayer page on our website for people to visit for specific ways to pray for our church, our community, and our nation!

Will you join with me in **thanking God for the ways** our church is stepping up and stepping out to be the eyes, the ears, the hands, and the feet of Jesus.

Finally, I want to ask you to **consider doing** the following:

* Will you let me know how I can **pray for you** and your family?
* Will you let me know how the church can best **be there for you** and your family in this season?
* Will you continue to **pray for the church’s leadership** as we try to make wise, compassionate and timely decisions?
* Will you **continue to lead our church** in the ways you have already been so faithful?
* Will you let me know if there is **something we are missing** that we could be doing?

I am so grateful and humbled to be your pastor! I don’t know how much longer this will last and I don’t know what next week might bring, but I do know that we will walk through this **together** and we will continue to **be the church** Christ has called us to **be**!