



*"And so you became a model to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia."* 1 Thessalonians 1:7

It appears that in his commendation of the Thessalonians, the apostle Paul is making a distinction between them and other bodies of believers in their response to the gospel message. There is no judgment here, just a shining example of where things are working held out as a model to all believers who have received the same message through the power of the same Holy Spirit. In a similar fashion, the 26 congregations participating in our current Mission 1-1-1 campaign are called out as an example to emulate. As we close on our current campaign, only to begin another on September 1, here is submitted for your consideration a dual challenge:

- For the 26 congregations currently participating: as you re-commit, how can you become an even more active example to your sister congregations?
- For those congregations which are not currently active in Mission 1-1-1 giving: what can you proactively learn from participating sister congregations that can help you reflect on the motivation to commit in the 2026-27 campaign?