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Dear <Partner>,

We are so thankful that you supported our “Selma at 50: Still Marching” conference this past April. Your participation helped us meet and exceed our goals for the conference in tangible ways.

Your contribution added to the rich mix of scholars, theologians, and organizers from around the country, making space for a range of conversations on the most pressing social issues of our day. Through talks, panels, and casual encounters, attendees were able to contextualize the information they heard and grow their understanding that the fight for greater justice and mercy in our lifetime is a global movement.

More than 350 people attended the conference, 40% of whom had never attended an event at CTS previously. We built new alliances by engaging nearly 10 program partners, and our conference hashtag “CTSelma” even trended at #10 for about an hour on April 25<sup>th</sup>. We are confident that “Selma at 50: Still Marching” helped build the capacity of attendees to integrate prior knowledge with new perspectives. Your presence helped shaped that learning by your example of conviction, dedication, integrity, rigor, and love. People told us throughout the event that “Selma at 50” was one of the best, most engaging, and well-organized events they had attended in a long time, and we could not have done that without you.

We hope that you will consider joining us next year for the annual Spring Conference, taking place on campus April 15 and 16, 2016. Thank you again for helping make “Selma at 50: Still Marching” so special.

With gratitude,

Alice Hunt, President