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Mr. James Cavnar  
President, Cross Catholic Outreach  
2700 N. Military Trail  
Boca Raton, FL 33431

Dear Mr. Cavnar,

I am happy to note that Cross Catholic Outreach is being recognized by many priests and brother bishops as a blessing to the Church in the developing world. It is my hope that many will come to know Cross' work and its outreach to the poorest of the poor and that they will consider inviting one of the Cross Outreach Priests to visit their parish for a weekend.

I am pleased to know that in providing the needy with food, water, medicines, clothing, shelter and self help projects, Cross works directly with bishops, priests, religious and Catholic lay leaders who operate ministries overseas, and that Cross also enjoys a special relationship with Cor Unum, the Holy Father's own Relief Agency. Both share the belief that charity enables us to see Jesus Christ in the poorest of the poor in our world.

I wish to wholeheartedly endorse the work of Cross Catholic Outreach. It is my hope that the clergy will familiarize themselves with Cross and its outreach mission and share Cross' message with their parishioners. Knowledge of Cross' exceptional work to aid the poor can help parishioners to achieve a deeper awareness of the need in the developing world and to develop a true missionary spirit and spirit of the New Evangelization.

May the Lord help us to see our responsibility to preach the Gospel to all people and to all nations, especially to those who are most in need of His love and mercy!

With every best wish and blessing,

Yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Joseph J. Tyson  
Bishop of Yakima

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