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Mr. Jim Cavnar, President  
Cross Catholic Outreach  
2700 N. Military Trail, Suite 240  
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Dear Mr. Cavnar:

Thank you for providing additional information regarding the work of Cross Catholic Outreach. You affirm that Cross Catholic Outreach was founded to help provide for the most basic human needs and serves in a world of want and need while offering hope and help in the name of the Catholic Community. You explain that by providing the poorest of the poor with food, water, medicines, clothing, shelter, and self-help programs, Cross Catholic Outreach works directly with the Bishops, priests, religious, and lay leaders who operate in these countries.

It is good to be reminded that Cross Catholic has a special relationship with the Pontifical Council *Cor Unum*, the Holy Father's Relief Agency. Both share the belief that charity enables us to see Jesus Christ in the poorest of the poor.

Many of us, myself included, never visit the Third World or have the chance to look into the faces of the poor, but we can do something about it by helping those who daily minister to the desperately needy by reaching out to them through our prayer and support for Cross Catholic Outreach.

I am confident that I can endorse the work of Cross Catholic Outreach and am very pleased that one of our own diocesan priests, Father Eddie Winkler, has taken part in its mission. I would hope that more people, clergy and others, become familiar with Cross Catholic Outreach and its outreach mission and share Cross Catholic's message with their parishioners. Knowledge of Cross Catholic's exceptional work to aid the poor can help parishes achieve a deeper awareness of the need in the Third World and help them to develop a true missionary spirit.

God's blessings on your efforts to preach the Gospel to all people and to all nations.

Sincerely yours,

Most Rev. David E. Fellhauer  
Bishop of Victoria in Texas