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The Reverend Monsignor Ted Bertagni
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Dear Monsignor Bertagni,

Thank you for your recent letter dated 1 December 2020 in which you reported the good work of Cross Catholic's mission to feed the hungry in the developing world. By caring for both the corporal and spiritual needs of our sisters and brothers suffering the bondage of poverty, you are demonstrating works of mercy by putting faith into action.

I appreciate your reflection and the manner in which you reminded me of the Holy Father's message regarding the need to be attentive to and work to alleviate the suffering of the poor.

I am pleased to endorse the work of Cross Catholic Outreach for hearing the cry of the poor and I encourage you to continue your efforts to work through Catholic missionaries on the forefront of fighting to alleviate poverty.

Be assured of my prayers for you, those who assist you in your work as well as those on the margins of society. I remain

Your brother in Christ,

Most Reverend Edward C. Malesic, JCL
Bishop of Cleveland