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My Dear People,

In his new encyclical, *Caritas in Veritate, Love in Truth*, Pope Benedict XVI talks about how our “openness to God makes us open towards our brothers and sisters and towards an understanding of life as a joyful task to be accomplished in a spirit of solidarity.” It is with this spirit of joyful communion as “One Household of Faith” that we embark upon the 2010 Archbishop’s Appeal campaign.

In a generous response to the call to share your blessings with those less fortunate, you joined together last year with Catholics from parishes throughout the Archdiocese of San Antonio to shelter, cloth, feed, educate, comfort, and provide spiritual nurturing and hope for thousands who were in need, even through challenging economic times.

Your unwavering commitment and dedicated resolve for the past three years have made it possible, in light of the great need that continues to grow, to set a new goal of \$3,500,000 for the Archbishop’s Appeal in 2010.

It is our faith in Jesus Christ that motivates us to be generous in helping the poor and in supporting the work of the Church. With your help we can continue educating our children, comforting the sick and reaching out to families in need. Your gift in faith will bring the truth of the gospel to thousands of people who are searching for Jesus and finding His love through the ministries and services of the Archdiocese of San Antonio.

I know that your share in carrying out the Lord’s mission will not go unrewarded. Thank you again for your continued support of the Archbishop’s Appeal. Please remember to pray for the ministries of our Archdiocese, as I shall remember you and your loved ones in my prayers.

May Jesus, through the intercession of Mary, grant you peace and joy.

Sincerely in Christ,

+ José H. Gomez

Most Reverend José H. Gomez, S.T.D.
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