



June 28, 2017

Dear Friends,

I write this letter having just returned from the Golden Jubilee Celebration of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal in Rome, May 31-June 4, with Pope Francis. My wife, Patti, gave several presentations there and, much to our surprise, was seated right next to the Pope at the Pentecost Vigil in the Circus Maximus! An estimated 50,000 pilgrims from some 150 countries flooded St. Peter's, the Circus Maximus, and various basilicas around Rome to give praise and thanks to God for 50 years of Charismatic Renewal in the Catholic Church!

Here's what the Holy Father said, **"Thank you, Catholic Charismatic Renewal, for what you have given the Church in these fifty years! The Church counts on you, on your fidelity to the Spirit, on your willingness to serve and your witness of lives transformed by the Holy Spirit! Share with all in the Church the Baptism in the Holy Spirit..."**

Our own Southern Regional Conference of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal, March 31-April 2, was also a glorious Golden Jubilee Celebration. **While we were very pleased that our attendance increased over past years, it was unfortunately not enough to make up for a number of recent "lean years."**

Therefore, we are turning to you, our friends and supporters, to ask for your financial help and support. We do not hold any type of fund-raising event or gala. We are trusting the Lord to inspire many of you to respond to this 50th year appeal by sending a gift of \$50, \$500, \$5000 – or any amount in between!

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The contemporary outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the Catholic Church that we know as the Catholic Charismatic Renewal is a true "surprise of the Spirit", to quote Cardinal

Suenens. We can only respond by praising the Lord, as did Our Blessed Lady, as we say with her: **“My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my savior...for He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name”** (Luke 1: 46,49).

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal is alive and well all over the world. You are helping the Renewal stay strong in our region! I close by offering our sincere thanks for your generous financial help. **We intercede for you at our prayer meeting and office prayer. May the Lord richly bless you and grant “that you may be filled with all the fullness of God” (cf. Eph. 3:19).**

Yours in the Holy Spirit,



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