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Dear Diocesan Director,

The work of evangelization is carried out by Christians who meet people where they are—not only in a geographical sense but also in the context of culture. Though the Gospel is unchanging, we have many ways to make it relevant to people of all cultural, ethnic, and linguistic backgrounds.

The countries of South America have diverse populations from Indigenous, African, European, and Asian ancestries, all with different cultural experiences. By welcoming and understanding people from so many backgrounds, the Church grows and continues its mission of making disciples of all peoples. In Brazil, the Brazilian Bishops' Conference organized visits and meetings to engage Afro-Brazilian Catholic leaders in discussing a variety of themes, including social pastoral ministry and the vision of Pope Francis. In Peru, missionaries working in the Peruvian Amazon bring the Gospel to the Ashaninka and Matsigenka communities of about 60,000 people.

Such encounters and engagement with the peoples of South America are made possible when Catholics in your diocese are generous to the Collection for the Church in Latin America. Your participation in the collection truly becomes a way to share your faith and support evangelization efforts among all peoples.

Bulletin inserts, a parish resource guide with bulletin announcements and a parish appeal, web banners, and more are available for your use at www.usccb.org/latin-america/collection. There you can also find a social media tool kit with Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram posts and photos you can use. Please follow the USCCB's social media pages for the latest posts on the collection and other news, and share them on your diocesan channels (using the hashtags #shareyourfaith and #1church1mission). If you have any questions or need additional materials, please contact me at 202-541-3365 or mhren@usccb.org.

On behalf of those who benefit from the Collection for the Church in Latin America, thank you! May our merciful and loving God, through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas, bless you always.

Sincerely,

Margaret Hren
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