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Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Greetings to you at this most exciting time for the Church. At the dawn of his pontificate, and in the midst of the Jubilee of Hope, Pope Leo is highlighting the missionary vocation of all the faithful. It is an inspiring time to work with and support the Pope's missions!

Throughout Pope Francis' pontificate, he encouraged us to think of our whole lives as mission. He gave to the Church meaningful reflections on our duty to fulfil the Great Commission. How beautiful a gift, then, that his successor is himself a missionary — perhaps the first missionary pope since St. Peter.

Before becoming the Bishop of Chiclayo, Peru, Pope Leo XIV spent decades in remote areas of the Amazonian country where he taught, formed seminarians and founded new parish communities — this is the same work of the countless missionaries supported by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

In fact, elsewhere in Peru, the Society for the Propagation of the Faith is supporting a relatively new missionary project. Inspired by the call to action from Pope Francis at the Synod of Bishops on the Amazon in 2019, the Argentinian Bishops' Conference and the Pontifical Mission Societies collaborated to establish a new mission in the Amazon. A team of five works with about 100 communities, including natives belonging to the Matsiguengas and Asháninkas ethnic groups. Based in Kimbiri and Villa Virgen, the missionaries are focused on forming Christian communities, supporting local ministries and spreading the Gospel through a life of service and prayer.



As you may have heard me say before, hope is not optimism. Hope is the fruit of trust that God is at work. Now, during this Jubilee of Hope, these stories from the missions — stories from our own Holy Father — are a source of great hope.

And your own support — your prayers and gifts to the missions — *that* is God working. That gives me hope. It is with deep gratitude for your generosity that I ask you to continue or even consider increasing your gifts which are so critical to this work — to God's work — in Canada, the Amazon and around the world.

With sincere thanks and prayer,

Bishop John A. Boissonneau
National Director

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