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Dear Bethlehem Association Supporters:

2024 is coming to a close and the new year will soon be upon us which brings us to the point of this letter. We have many topics to discuss and work to begin in order to achieve our goals. May 2025 bring you all many good things along with the courage and grace to tackle the unforseen challenges that we all know is a part of life.

The Bethlehem Association Convention is set for August 7-10, 2025 at the OC Hyatt Regency located at 11999 Harbor Boulevard in Garden Grove, CA which is adjacent to the Anaheim area. Mailers containing information on the convention will be forthcoming shortly. Please examine it closely as it will contain many details such as a \$25.00 per guest discount for early registration by April 1, 2025. The hotel has many amenities and is offering a generous discount on the room rate of \$194.00 per night. The hotel has also provided the discount for three days before the convention and three days after in case you would like to extend your stay. Early booking is recommended as room space is limited.

We cannot hope to succeed without the support from all of our board members. In addition to attending the convention, we ask that you assist us in procuring sponsorships as well as advertisements for the convention ad book.

We are also launching our plaque fundraising program. There are only 100 plaques available for the first phase. Each plaque will be engraved and mounted on the wall of the banquet hall of the Catholic Action. The plaques are \$300 each and a separate sheet including more information will be sent as well.

It is also time to renew membership in the Bethlehem Association. The new dues include a hard copy of our newsletter to be distributed in the first quarter of 2025. Individual membership is \$50.00 (1 vote) and family membership is \$100 (2 votes). Anyone wishing to contribute to the newsletter is encouraged to send your entry by email to lillianbitar@gmail.com. Also memberships information and more may be found at our webiste,

www.bethlehemassociation.org.

Given the current geopolitical climate, we understand that our work is more difficult than ever thereby requiring more unity and effort than ever before. We look forward to working with you on behalf of the association. If there is anything we can do to help you in your efforts, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

The Executive Board

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