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Lenten Request from Dr. John Bruchalski

Lent 2010

Dear Faithful DMC Donor,

Peace be with you! I hope this letter finds you and your family healthy and in good spirits as we begin Lent in preparation for Easter!

I have some difficult news to share with you but first, I'd like to share a profound note from one of our "young supporters." It reads:

*Dear Tepeyac Family Center,
My name is Anna and I'm nine-years old. At my school we got an
assignment to give a dollar to a charity or to the poor or something.
I decided to send mine to you because everybody has the right to live.
I hope this will help you.
From, Anna*

We wrote back to Anna right away and thanked her for her wonderful note and contribution. She is right ... **everybody has the right to live!**

At Tepeyac Family Center, we strive every day to care for those who are poor, uninsured and/or have fallen through the cracks of our healthcare system.

We seek to first provide excellent healthcare to these women and unborn babies and then, over the nine months (as we get to know these patients), we preach the love of Christ to them through our actions. We offer them hope, healing and a safe medical environment for them and their baby.

As you know, we are in an extremely tough economy. As the economy declines (or at best stagnates), our charity care requests have only increased. For example ...

**Tepeyac needs at least \$7,500 in donations every week
just to cover its charity care!**

That is more than \$32,000 per month ...nearly \$400,000 per year! Now that we are more than eight weeks into 2010, **we have already provided more than \$60,000 in charity care!**

Here is another staggering number: In the past, Tepeyac made quarterly medical liability insurance payments. Thankfully, due to our quality of care, we have negotiated discounts on the annual insurance payments and have been able to break them up into ten equal payments. That is progress!

**However, here is the problem:
each payment is still \$27,000!**

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