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In the many years that I have known Fr. Bob Pelton, he has always expressed deep love, great passion and admiration for the Church in Latin America. He has observed closely how the Church in Latin America has responded to the situation of poverty and oppression, and how it has applied the principles of the Second Vatican Council. In the United States, he has been a strong advocate for the Latin American Church. He has taught North Americans about the struggles of Latin Americans, their defense of human rights, what the preferential option for the poor means and how their ecclesial base communities, inspired by the Gospel have been channels for social justice. I thank God for the grace of having Fr. Bob as my friend.

Most Reverend Ricardo Ramírez, C.S.B.