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For many decades Fr. Bob Pelton has served as a one-man bridge between the church in Latin America and the United States. As such he has served as an invaluable agent of solidarity, standing by a struggling and at times suffering church, and amplifying the witness of such martyrs as Archbishop Oscar Romero. But he has also been an agent of evangelization, sharing with his fellow North Americans the gospel proclaimed by the poor and those “on the margins.” Long after other laborers have retired from the vineyard, Fr. Pelton has kept at it—in season and out. And he has done this while retaining a joyful and hopeful spirit. There is no way to measure his contribution.

From Orbis Books, a partner with Fr. Pelton over many years, I am happy to express my admiration and thanks!

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