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*Matthew 6:33*

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### **'THANKS'GIVING**

#### **A Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Author Unknown

Thank you, Lord, for friendship  
and love so warm and sweet.

Thank you for the little things  
that make life complete.

Thank you for easing  
my worry and pain.

Thank you for the sunshine  
and the smell of spring rain.

Thank you for bringing comfort  
in times of stress and strife.

Thank you for the precious gifts  
you blessed throughout my life.

Thank you for listening  
when I seek You in prayer.

And most of all,

Thank you for loving me  
and always being there.

#### **Reflection**

By Margie Sweeney

<sup>10</sup>*Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give. (Mt 10:8b)*

This column is usually about the concept of 'giving' and how it can be applied in our

lives. Today, instead, I'll take the approach of 'thanks' giving.

We have all been affected, either directly or indirectly by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. The amount of destruction and loss that these storms have caused will be with us for quite some time. Rebuilding our lives and our country will be no easy task.

We can sit in despair or we can raise our hands up and be thankful for God's goodness. The Bible tell us that "*I have the strength for everything through him who empowers me.*" (Phil 4:13) and "*God is faithful and will not let you be tried beyond your strength; but with the trial he will also provide a way out, so that you may be able to bear it.*" (1Cor 10:13b) Let us stand firm and believe the word of God.!

At this time it can seem too difficult to give—to think of others' needs. It is precisely at such times that we should be giving—*giving thanks to God*. As we give thanks to God we are renewed in our spirits. It can be our greatest prayer!

<sup>3</sup>*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and God of all encouragement, <sup>4</sup>who encourages us in our every affliction, so that we may be able to encourage those who are in any affliction with the encouragement with which we ourselves are encouraged by God. (2Cor 1:3-4)*

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## **Current Outreach Needs**

We are in need of \$25,000 for [\*Our Lady of Fatima Rehab Center\*](#) in Monrovia, Liberia, West Africa for groundbreaking to commence on a full size clinic (total cost of \$250,000) to serve the medical/rehab needs of the residents of the rehab center and the residents of the surrounding refugee camps in this war torn country. For more information on this project, please visit the web site at <http://hhhm.net> and click on "Current Needs." We thank you for your continued support!



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A very special thanks to Donna & Steve  
Adams and Suellen Newman of [Medusa  
Sports, LLC](#) for their hard work and  
dedication in arranging the fundraiser  
golf scramble in October!  
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**President's Corner**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This past quarter has been quite busy with planning and organizing the golf scramble fundraiser which will be held on Monday, October 3rd at Glenmary Country Club in Louisville, KY. We are very grateful to **Donna Adams** and **Suellen Newman** with [Medusa Sports](#). They have put in many hours and much effort to make this a successful event. Because of the time committed to this event, this newsletter will be brief, but I trust that the *'Thanks'giving* section will bring you blessings.

In the June newsletter, a request came in after the newsletter had already been printed so a post-it note was placed on the donation envelopes. My apologies for the lack of information as to the specifics of this request. I realize that not much detail was given, but I felt that we needed to start the awareness process of this need as soon as possible. Since that newsletter, more specifics on this request have been posted on the website. **Helping Hands Healing Ministries, Inc.** has been blessed to receive such a request to help our brothers and sisters in West Africa thanks to an alert by **Kathy Byrne** about the work that **Sr. Sponsa Beltran** is doing in Liberia.

**Helping Hands Healing Ministries, Inc.** has agreed to sponsor one tenth of the cost of a rehab clinic for [Our Lady of Fatima Rehab Center](#) which provides living quarters for some 300 disabled and abandoned children and provides education and meals for some 1,000 children. **Sr. Sponsa** would like to have an onsite full size clinic which will have rehab rooms for the disabled children. Additionally, the clinic will have a pharmacy, laboratory, and maternity rooms to provide for the medical needs of these children, as well as the inhabitants of the surrounding refugee camps in this war torn country. Your assistance with this request will be a blessing to those in need now and for years to come!

As always, I continue to be grateful for the generosity and compassion that you show. My prayer is truly one of 'thanks' giving.

May God bless you abundantly!

Yours in Christ,

*Margie C. Sweeney, M.D*



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To save on postage, statements for receipt of donations made in 2005 will be mailed out in early January, 2006. If you require a receipt prior to that time, please let us know.