The holy Tradition enjoins us to combine our fasting with charitable giving, and, at this outset of the Nativity Fast, we are given the opportunity to combine charitable giving with a concrete expression of thanksgiving to God by offering our support to the Stewards of the OCA. I exhort all of you to consider giving generously in support of the many missions of our Church's departments and in support of our common vision for the proclamation of the Gospel and the propagation of the holy Orthodox Christian faith in North America, unto the upbuilding of the everlasting kingdom of God and the salvation of many souls.

With gratitude for your generous support, And with my primatial blessing and prayers, Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Tikhon Archbishop of Washington Metropolitan of All America and Canada