

# Sharing, Inc.

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Dear Sharing Friend,

**"Gratitude is the basic element of real belief in God."**

There is much profound theology behind this quotation from Joan Chittister, OSB, expressing gratitude for the wonderful works of God in this incredible universe. Let us consider gratitude in relation to the work of Sharing, Inc., as we appeal for your membership contributions to support our administrative costs.

We are grateful for forty eight years of Walking on Good Friday, sharing in the sufferings of Jesus and supporting our African American brothers and sisters in the rural South. We are grateful for the thousands of people who have contributed to these Walks enabling us to give away more than \$3,700,000 (which is well over 90% of the Walk amount raised)!

We are grateful for thousands of beautifully dressed Black dolls, baby blankets and sports balls that have brightened the lives of children. We are grateful for thousands of books by and about African Americans that now grace libraries in public schools in Alabama and elsewhere.

We are grateful that thousands of African American children have been provided with educational opportunities at day care centers, after-school enrichment programs and youth-leadership training. Also, we are grateful that dozens of students have been able to pursue their college educations with scholarships funded by Good Friday Walks.

But we are especially grateful for the wisdom and compassion of Kay Doherty who has followed her vision of a more just society. Without Kay's leadership we wouldn't have had these blessings.

It is your membership contributions to Sharing that allow well over 90% of the Walk proceeds to continue to flow to many projects. Please be generous in your contributions that allow us to continue to cover Kay's modest salary and our operational costs.

Thank you for your generosity.

The Board of Directors

P.S. Another thoughtful way to support Sharing is by making a tax-deductible gift to Sharing, Inc, in honor of, or in memory of, a loved one.