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Dear brothers and sisters in ministry,

All good greetings to you!

I have just become aware that the Division of Youth and Young Adult Ministry (DYYAM) and Catholic Relief Services (CRS) are working jointly to launch a social justice initiative for young adults. The goal is train two young adults (ages 21-35) per parish as CRS Ambassadors. The Ambassadors will be supported and given tools to aid them in their work with you and/or designated parish staff/council on implementing a feasible justice initiative at the parish.

I would like to encourage you to please select two young adults with the following characteristics to be part of this initiative. Characteristics of an ideal Ambassador:

- o Strong inclination and passion for social justice
- o Is or can become a trusted leader in the community
- O Willing to make a one-year commitment

After discerning who your young adults might be, **please send their names** (Spanish or English speaking) and their contact information (email and telephone) to our Archdiocesan Young Adult Coordinator, Georgina Vaca at gvaca@archbalt.org by Thursday, October 20th.

I am attaching a more thorough description of the Young Adult CRS Ambassador Initiative.

May I take this opportunity to once again thank you personally for all you do in promoting the Gospel.

With all best wishes and blessings, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Denis J. Madden Auxiliary Bishop of Baltimore

Attachment