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Dear Sharing Friend,

"Thank you again for starting something so powerful that takes us back year after year and helps us to teach our children about what is important in this life." Karen Smith

Karen, who along with her husband, Ed, started walking on Good Friday when they were members of the Youth Group at Foster Memorial Church in Springfield. They currently live in Huntington, MA and continue to travel to Hingham for each Good Friday. Their daughter Leah and son Jacob each walked for the first time before their first birthday. Ed has completed 580 miles, Karen 515 miles, Leah 345 miles and Jacob 245 miles. What is important to Karen and Ed and their children is to make a connection between their faith and the reality of social injustice that exists in our world. This connection is what made my first Walk in 1972 such a powerful experience.

Each of you who believe in Sharing as evidenced by your physical, prayerful and/or financial support of the Good Friday Walk have the opportunity this year to help increase participation. How?

Sharing has a seven minute DVD about the Walk which is available to anyone free of charge. Ideally it would not stand alone but would go hand-in-hand with your personal witness about why you believe in the Walk. This could happen in a church setting or someone's living room.

In a way this scenario feels like "coming full circle." After I returned from my first brief trip to Mound Bayou, Mississippi in 1972 Elaine Walsh, a friend from church, asked if I would come to her home and tell some of her friends about my experience. Eventually the invitees numbered so many that the venue changed to the Tufts Library in Weymouth and, as they say, the rest is history.

To request a DVD contact me at 781-843-1676 or kaydoherty@beld.net

Good Friday Walks in all locations since 1972 have generated over \$3,000,000!

**We give thanks and praise for this,
as well as for the following 2006 distributions:**

1,376 books, by and about African Americans, sent to State Senator Hank Sanders to be distributed among the public schools in West Alabama!!

84 sports balls, 88 dolls with blankets, 14 large soft teddy bears, 7 baby blankets with soft knitted balls, plus some small stuffed animals went to The House of Joy in Okolona, MS
69 baby blankets, 56 soft knitted balls, and 12 large stuffed animals were sent to Dr. Rachel Zippert Chatters in Louisiana.

Thanks to one and all who made this possible.

*Shalom,
Kay Doherty*