## Sharing, Inc.

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Dear Sharing Friend,

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

-- Margaret Mead

They were indeed "a small group," gathered in the parking lot of St. Bridget's church in Abington on Good Friday, March 31, 1972. Kay Doherty and her three daughters, several of her CCD students, beloved Maryknoll Brother Paul Chamberlain and a small group of seminarians set off to walk the ten miles to the Maryknoll Seminary in Hingham and back. Never in Kay's wildest dreams could she have envisioned how large that group would grow.

You have become a meaningful member of that group.

You are the reason that:

- thousands of people have discovered the joy and satisfaction of walking on Good Friday;
- over 10,000 books, by and about African Americans have been shipped to schools and organizations in Mississippi and Alabama;
- hundreds upon hundreds of Black dolls and basketballs have delighted young people at Christmas time; and well over a thousand beautifully boxed baby blankets!
- over \$221,000 in scholarships has been awarded.
- at the end of 2017, Sharing will have given away close to \$3,600,000 to 31 organizations.

It is time for Sharing's annual membership appeal. Memberships support Kay's modest salary and the basic administrative costs of Sharing, Inc.

In order that we can continue to ensure that well over 90% of the funds raised by the Walk go directly to our carefully chosen projects, we are dependent on your membership contributions to cover basic administrative costs as well as Kay's salary and part-time wages of her assistants. Please be generous in renewing or becoming a new Sharing Member.

Thank you.

The Board of Directors of Sharing, Inc.

Ellen Gonaghy

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