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Dear Friends of UCO,

I hope that you are well, and that our Lord is blessing you with his beautiful Peace.

I count it as such a privilege to write to you, and to ask, on behalf of the poor, for your help with our ministry work. It has taken me many years to learn to ask for help. When I first joined Urban Christian Outreach 18 years ago, our founder, Katrine Coward, advised me that I would have to pray and to ask you, our faithful supporters to partner with us financially, I recall thinking, 'No, I can't do that!' I was raised in a minimalist household, and taught to ask for nothing from others, but rather to give freely. It has been a long road for me to learn to do this, and I have come to understand that I am not asking for myself, because I would gladly continue to serve the poor among us without pay. It has been the most rewarding liturgy of my life, as I get to witness first hand, the miracles of our Lord Jesus. I cannot begin to count the number of times each day that I say, "Thank you, Lord" out loud, or in my heart, for the blessing of spending time with him, and with his poor among us. I have learned more from the poor than I can say. You really must experience this anointed ministry in order to believe it. We need to look for Jesus in the noise, in the ordinary, in every conversation, and situation. The Lord is near, and I invite you to join us on the sidewalks, 'to taste, and to see that the Lord is good!' If you are able, may I humbly ask for your financial support, so that we can continue with our calling? We had a very challenging year last year financially, which has left us with a

An Invitation: You are invited to join us for a GLEN SODERHOLM Benefit Concert, with proceeds going to Urban Christian Outreach, on Saturday, September 26, 2026, 7:00 p.m. at Trinity Presbyterian Church, Kanata, 1817 Richardson Side road Ottawa, ON, K0A 1L0 <https://www.eventbrite.com> We are humbled by this blessing!

I would like to close with the lyrics to a favourite hymn of mine, and from what I understand, was also a favourite hymn of Billy Graham's, as well, titled, "JUST AS I AM", lyrics by Charlotte Elliott, 1835; music by William Batchelder Bradbury, 1849. Bradbury also wrote, "JESUS LOVES ME."

*Just as I am, without one plea,
But that Thy blood was shed for me,
And that Thou bid'st me come to Thee,
O Lamb of God, I come! I come!*

*Just as I am, and waiting not
To rid my soul of one dark blot,
To Thee whose Blood can cleanse each spot,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!*

*Just as I am, though tossed about,
With many a conflict, many a doubt;
Fightings within, and fears without,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come*

*Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
Sight, riches, healing of the mind;
Yes, all I need, in Thee to find.
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!*

*Just as I am, Thou wilt receive
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because Thy promise I believe
O Lamb of God, I come, I come*

*Just as I am, Thy love unknown
Has broken every barrier down;
Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!*

*Just as I am, of that free love
The breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,
Here for a season, then above,
O Lamb of God, I come. I come. Amen.</*