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To Whom it May Concern,

Recently it was my privilege to visit Pacem in Terris.

The setting for this retreat center combines beautiful, serene natural woods and meadows with facilities that encourage one to experience God's presence, goodness and providence. Each of the 19 cottages is designed with an inviting beauty and simplicity. Redwoods and large windows create a unique access to the wooded preserve. The screened in porch enables this even during the insect seasons of the year. The meal arrangements are such that complete privacy can be experienced for the duration of one's stay.

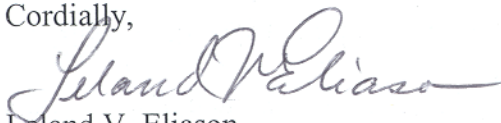
In addition to the individual cottages, the chapel, library and dining facilities have been created with obvious care and wise planning. The large portrait of Christ in the chapel arrests ones attention and fosters a distinctively Christian ethos.

All of these attributes of Pacem in Terris reflects the commitment, understanding and deep spirituality of the founding family and current staff. No wonder Bethel seminary students find their way to the setting in ever increasing numbers.

I thank God for this remarkable resource for the larger Christian community. Seminarians who learn the disciplines of solitude, prayer, reflection and centeredness will be much better prepared for the pressures and fast paced life of our world.

On behalf of all who attend Pacem in Terris from Bethel, I express a heartfelt thank you to those who have provided this wonderful enrichment to the spiritual formation of our lives.

Cordially,



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