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Dear Friend,

It's almost time for your next scheduled contribution. The tear-off slip below will give you more information. Please include it with your contribution.

Because of good people like you, CNEWA is caring for needy children, building churches and parish halls, rushing aid to refugee families, forming novices and seminarians and sustaining hospitals and schools. And that's just the beginning!

Last month, Sami El-Yousef, our new regional director for Israel and Palestine, was finally given permission to enter Gaza — but for only five hours. It's the first time a CNEWA representative has been to the territory since the 2008-2009 war between Hamas and Israel.

Sami visited a vocational training center; the women of the Myrrh Bearers Orthodox Society, who provide scholarships to promising but impoverished Christian students; and Brotherhood Park, which was built through CNEWA.

But the most important stop was a mother-and-child health clinic. CNEWA supporters like you helped build this brand-new facility after another was bombed and destroyed during the war. Sami reports he was delighted by what he saw, especially by the clinic's cutting-edge paperless record system.

One patient told Sami: "All medical clinics and medical centers in Gaza provide free services, but we come here because we're treated with respect and dignity."

Respect and dignity for the vulnerable — like mothers and babies in one of the poorest places on Earth — is what your support for CNEWA is all about. Thank you again for all that you do. May God keep you in his care.

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U.S. National Secretary

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