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On behalf of the entire staff of the Multicultural Institute and all participants in our summer Lay Leadership Formation Program, we want to express our heartfelt appreciation for your presence with us on from July 13<sup>th</sup> through July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009. It was a pleasure to host you as the instructor for this 20-hour course on *Social Ethics: a Christian Perspective on Contemporary Challenges*.

The evaluation forms highlighted that your knowledge and expertise on the subject were highly valued by the participants. In addition to eliciting nearly all "excellent" ratings on the evaluation forms and the request that the Institute bring you back for future sessions, some of the written comments were:

- *"The instructor is an excellent priest and Franciscan. I can't find the words to describe the incredible learning from God that I have received through this great theologian. May God continue to bless him... "*
- *"May he keep giving such classes to us here at the Institute. He has a special way of imparting these topics. Thank you. "*
- *"The whole week was magnificent"... "An excellent teacher".... "A great professor"*
- *"Excellent—both the topics and his way with students—and he is very clear when he explains material."*
- *"Thanks so much for sharing his knowledge with us. It is incredible how his attitude towards life is always so positive and what a great sense of humor. "*
- *"I hope he comes back—I love his teachings "*

Sincerely,



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