

MAY THE LORD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU...

*It is a gift from God that we can conclude this year 2025, and with great hope we prepare to begin a New Year under the guidance of Mary, Mother of God.*

*Undoubtedly, during this past year, we experienced many moments, both joyful and difficult; but we recognize that all of this has had a purpose in our lives for our maturity and growth.*

*Therefore, it is fitting that in this celebration in which we participate, we include three moments:*

*THANKSGIVING, being grateful for all that we have experienced, even for what we consider bad or negative. We are invited to adopt the attitude of Mary Most Holy, who treasured everything and pondered it in her heart.*

*PLEA FOR FORGIVENESS, It is important that, with humility, we raise our plea for forgiveness to God, since we recognize our inconstancy and our omissions; The little love with which we value the time that has been granted to us. And for this reason, we make our own the words of Psalm 66, "Have mercy on us, O Lord, and bless us."*

*TO CELEBRATE FROM FAITH, AND WITH JOY: Just as the shepherds were filled with joy upon seeing Jesus in the manger, we, as sons and daughters of God, know that we are accompanied by that God of love who reveals himself to us in his son Jesus Christ, and who invites us to follow him hand in hand with Mary Most Holy, his mother and our mother.*

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*Thus, we begin this new year with grateful hearts and with the desire to respond with generosity, like our Mother in Heaven.*

*We entrust ourselves to her and ask for a docile heart to seek and follow God's will. Amen. HAPPY NEW YEAR ✨*