



The Holy See

ADDRESS OF HIS HOLINESS JOHN PAUL II TO A GROUP OF PILGRIMS FROM INDONESIA

*Clementine Hall
Friday, 7 July 1995*

Dear Friends,

I am happy to welcome to the Vatican the group of pilgrims from Indonesia, led by Bishop Kherubim Pareira of Weetabula. You have been in Lourdes to pay homage to Mary, the Immaculate Mother of the Redeemer, and to ask her intercession for your own needs and those of your families and your country. Now you have come to Rome, "to see Peter" (cf. Gal. 1:18), to profess your Catholic faith at the tomb of the Prince of the Apostles. I hope that your visit will confirm you in your life of prayer and in your love of the Church.

As members of a Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group you realize very clearly how important it is to strive for holiness, that God's will may be done in your lives and in your apostolate. The gifts of the Holy Spirit are for the building up of the whole Body of Christ which is the Church (cf. 1 Cor. 14:36). I encourage you to let the Spirit work through you by making you courageous witnesses to the Gospel of life and love in your own homes, in your work and in society. Be joyful helpers of your pastors in your parishes and communities, according to the spirit of the Beatitudes and in the joy which the Lord gives to his faithful ones (cf. Jn. 16:11).

With affection and esteem for the Church in Indonesia, I gladly impart my Apostolic Blessing to you and your loved ones.

Semoga Allah memberkati Indonesia dengan damaiNya. Semoga Allah memberkati anda sekalian.

(May God bless Indonesia with his peace. May God bless you all).

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