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Dear Brothers in Christ,

I write with hopeful news!

The 2012 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity has been dedicated to the certainty that we ***will all*** be changed by the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Few messages could be more hopeful, especially when reflecting on the conversion needed for all to be one in Christ.

I invite you to add your parish's voice in proclaiming this good news with a neighboring Christian communion during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, January 18<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>.

Find enclosed some simple suggestions and prayer and worship aides for making your observance nearly as carefree as the news is hopeful. The prayer card and worship aide may be reproduced free of charge or ordered online at [www.geii.com](http://www.geii.com).

To ensure that your observance is well attended, call the Office of Ecumenical and Inter-religious Affairs at 831-8243 with your plans or email them to the office secretary, Ms. Angela Sanchez, at [asanchez@archdiosf.org](mailto:asanchez@archdiosf.org). Be sure to mention the host communions, date, place, and time of your event. The Ecumenical Commission will have your plans announced in relevant media. For coverage in *The People of God*, your information must be in no later than December 10.

In closing, I offer one of St. Paul's most hopeful exhortations:  
"Be firm, steadfast, always devoted to the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain" (1 Corinthians 15: 58).

Ever hopeful for the change to be one in Christ,

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