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Dear

On the Western Front in 1914, Christmas Eve was spent in a deadlock. The British and German troops had been sniping each other across No Man's Land for weeks to no avail. As the soldiers on both sides went to sleep that night, there was no thought of peace on earth, goodwill to men. But when Christmas morning came, the British soldiers were wakened to what was clearly the sound of *Silent Night*. The words were German, but the song was unmistakable.

When the song ended the unthinkable happened. One brave, British soldier climbed out of his trench into No Man's Land to sing *Oh Come All Ye Faithful*. Soon he was joined by others singing in German and English. Hands were shaken, candy bars were shared and there was a reprieve for both sides to bury the dead that lay strewn around them. The call to the faithful was a testimony to both sides of the conflict that a shared faith in the Child of Christmas transcends all conflicts.

The call to the faithful continues to ring out. The Child of Christmas grew to become our Savior and He calls each of us to faithfulness in the conflicts of our lives. We're fighting a virus, we're fighting racial injustice and many of us are fighting just to make sense of it all. But the faithful are called to be, well, faithful.

The next line of that song is – Joyful and Triumphant! As we remain faithful joy will rise with triumph. Throughout the turmoil of this year [REDACTED] has remained faithful to our mandate – the transformational development of students into leaders prepared to serve God in the Church, the workplace and the world. Our faithful faculty and staff have remained steadfast to keep our students engaged and growing toward their high calling to be image bearers of Christ.

Will you join the ranks of those who faithfully support the important work of preparing this generation to transform their world for the Kingdom of God? Your partnership will enable us to continue to be faithful, and together we will meet the joyful and triumphant days ahead. As you plan your year-end giving would you consider a regular monthly donation? Choose your amount, check the box at the bottom of the insert and we will contact you to make it a regular gift.

We wish you continued triumph through this sacred season of joy.

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Executive Director of Development

P.S. Please enjoy this new acoustic version of *Oh Come All Ye Faithful* from our Worship Arts and Media Team.
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