

St. John Baptist de la Salle April 7, 2022

Mrs. Sarah Smith USA Director Universal Chastity Education PO BOX 3541 Pueblo, CO 81005

Dear Sarah,

Thank you for the recent update on the achievements of Universal Chastity Education (UCE). I was impressed to learn that UCE's efforts have transformed *over half a million youth* in Africa, most especially in Uganda, Tanzania, and Burundi through UCE chastity education outreaches. Also, that since 2004, over 585,000 youth have attended a UCE chastity outreach and signed a chastity commitment pledge card as their intention to practice chastity for the first time or as a "second chance." I appreciated hearing the numerous testimonies of teen pregnancy reduction, the decrease in the incidence of HIV/AIDS/STDs, cases of human trafficking being prevented, students improving their behavior and academic performance, and marriages being strengthened.

St. Therese of Lisieux, the patroness of the Diocese of Pueblo and the patroness of foreign missions has brought her "Little Way" into the work of UCE. This international pro-life organization has made life-changing results for so many youth by teaching the simple message of "Abstinence, Be Faithful, through Christ"

Universal Chastity Education has my full support and I extend my sincere gratitude for your compassionate and faithful work.

In Christ & Mary,

Most Reverend Stephen J. Berg, D.D.

cc: Very Rev. Derrek Scott, Vicar General Ms. Joe'l DeYoung, Chancellor

