



**BROTHER JOHN H. CAMPBELL**

*60 years of profession*

It is difficult for me to believe that I am celebrating a diamond jubilee. Essentially, this time in my life is filled with joyfulness and thanksgiving: thanksgiving for my wonderful parents who taught me how to love and how to live with Jesus in my life, and for my sister who loves me more than I deserve.

I am thankful for my Marianist brothers who educated me and challenged me to do things that I never thought I could do, and affirmed and encouraged me to be the best person I could be. I also am thankful for my friends who sustain and assist me to have balance in my life. You know who you are.

What I am most thankful for is God, who lives in me — the same God who lives in all of you. This God, who gave all of us the greatest gift of all: Jesus, our brother, who was born of Mary and is our mother, too.

Mahalo!

Your presence in my life and your being here today truly brings me joy and thanksgiving. I ask for only one thing: that you pray for me to be mindful and faithful to the God who lives in me and who lives in all of you; the God who calls me to bring God's kingdom in me and around me as I live out my remaining years.