

Mission Letter

A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER FROM THE MISSIONARIES OF AFRICA (WHITE FATHERS)

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Dear friends of the Missionaries of Africa,

About a month ago, we took time to remember our beloved ones who are already enjoying a deep and personal, face to face with God and all the saints in heaven. We gave thanks to the Lord for the love He had for them when they were with us, here on earth.

With December we cannot but realize how blessed we, Christians are. We are preparing ourselves to celebrate the physical entrance of God in human history. What a great mystery: "The Word became flesh and dwelt among us" (Jn 1, 14) The fact that God walked on earth in Jesus is greater than the fact that man walked on the moon.

And God gave us very Good News indeed: What we are called to do as missionaries-disciples can be summarized in two words: Love & Serve. Thanks to your spiritual, moral and financial support, the Missionaries of Africa can still give hands to their words in many countries in Africa, Europe, Asia and America. In all these continents more than 500 young men are preparing themselves to live the Mission in the African world as members of our Society of Missionaries of Africa. Four of them are from our continent, from Mexico. A few more from there and from the U.S.A. have expressed a real desire to join us. Kindly keep them in your prayer and ask the Lord to give us vocations from Canada.

December is a time to look back on the year which is about to end. Many events have taken place, some good and life giving, some not so good. According to circumstances, God has rejoiced with us, has cried with us, and has been present in all that has been part of our life. (Mt 28, 20) He did not get tired of reminding us in different ways that He was with us all the time, in times of joy and times of sadness.

Christmas reminds us that we are important in the eyes of God and that He also counts on us to make the world a better one to live in. And we know that

there is room for improvement, don't we? To do so we only have to follow his example by being men and women who go about doing good to others. My dear friends let us give Jesus his place when celebrating his birthday and let us give Him the gift that he truly appreciates: our heart, our life and our love for one another.

May our God of Love bless you and your families in a special way this Christmas, filling you with joy, hope and love.

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