

CAGLIERO¹¹

Newsletter for Salesian Missionary Animation



Dear Salesian missionaries and friends of the Salesian missions!

It seems incredible! Each year hundreds of

young people from 40 Salesian provinces involved in the Salesian missionary volunteer service return, after 12 months, to their ordinary life. Thousands of children or young people return after a few weeks of experience in the missions. After arriving home many of them are exposed to a huge culture shock. Because they can not fit in the same parish or youth centre of origin. The volunteer experience has transformed their outlook on life, their way of living their personal Christian life. They feel disoriented in a mediocre environment or in a context where there is little dynamism. The same is true for the 400 youth of the 6 Italian Provinces that gather every year for two days to share their brief experience in the missions. Listening to young people gathered for the *Harambée* at Colle Don Bosco - each September before the annual missionary expedition - is very enriching. But it is clear: after the summer experience in mission countries the common point in all groups is: How hard it is to go back to Italy!

Yes, the challenge of voluntary missionary is precisely how to involve volunteers after their return to the Salesian mission in their homeland. Missionary volunteers especially those returning to Europe or America after a year of living generously in Asia, America or Africa can make a great contribution to their Province of origin. Some former volunteers become ardent animators, collaborators or Salesian Cooperators! In fact there are already two Province Delegates for Missionary Animation (SUE, SUO) who began their involvement in the Salesian mission years ago as volunteers!

Greeting and an assurance of my prayers for all young people who have returned this year after a missionary experience! You are welcome, there is room for you in the great Salesian mission near your home!

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The ceaseless proclamation of the Gospel also revitalises the Church, her fervour, her apostolic spirit; it renews her pastoral methods so that they may be ever more suited to new situations - also those that require a new evangelization - and animated by missionary thrust: «Missionary activity renews the Church, revitalizes faith and Christian identity, and offers fresh enthusiasm and new incentive. Faith is strengthened when it is given to others! It is in commitment to the Church's universal mission that the new evangelization of Christian peoples will find inspiration and support» (*Redemptoris missio*, 2).

... All those who have met the risen Lord have felt the need to proclaim him to others, as did the two disciples on the road to Emmaus. After recognising the Lord in the breaking of bread, they "set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled" and told them what had happened to them on the road (Lk 24:33-34).

... The beneficiaries of the Gospel proclamation are all peoples. The Church "is missionary by her very nature, since it is from the mission of the Son and the mission of the Holy Spirit that she draws her origin, in accordance with the decree of God the Father" (ECUM. COUNCIL VATICAN II, Decr. *Ad Gentes*, 2). This is "the grace and vocation proper to the Church, her deepest identity. She exists in order to evangelize" (PAUL VI, Ap. Ex. *Evangelii Nuntiandi*, 14). Consequently, she can never withdraw into herself. She is rooted in particular places in order to go beyond them. Her action, in obedience to Christ's command and under the influence of his grace and his love, becomes fully and truly present to all men and women and to all peoples in order to lead them to faith in Christ (*Ad gentes*, 5).

This task has not lost any of its urgency. Indeed, «the mission of Christ the Redeemer, which is entrusted to the Church, is still very far from completion.... An overall view of the human race shows that this mission is still only beginning and that we must commit ourselves wholeheartedly to its service» (*Redemptoris missio*, 1)

The universal mission involves everyone, everything and always. The Gospel is not an exclusive possession of those who have received it, but it is a gift to be shared, good news to be passed on to others ... May World Mission Day reawaken in each person the joy and desire to "go" out to meet humanity taking Christ to all.

Message of Pope Benedict XVI for World Mission Sunday 2011
(full text: <http://tinyurl.com/6h8pfem>)



The 142nd Salesian Missionary Expedition

Members of the 142nd Salesian Missionary Expedition participating in the Orientation Course for New Missionaries (Rome-Turin) which began on September 1 and will end with the giving of the missionary cross by the Rector Major in the Basilica of Mary Help of Christians on September 25, 2011.

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Salesian Missionary Intention

SOUTH ASIA - INDIA

That the confreres involved in our educational and social works in India offer a credible witness to Jesus Christ and his Gospel, by sharing with them a deep rooted personal experience of God

"Tell the story of Jesus or share the experience of faith," according to the First Missionary Congress of India, Mumbai, November 2009 (Prabhu Yesu Mahotsav, <http://indianmissioncongress.blogspot.com>), is the best way to proclaim the Gospel in multi-religious and multi-cultural contexts (John Paul II, Ecclesia in Asia, n. 20). The call to spread the faith in Jesus Christ among non-Christians through one's own life is common to all, which requires a deepening in one's own experience of God and sharing it throughout one's own life.



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