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"Be the smile and the presence of the tenderness of Jesus to young people to whom you are sent"

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ear Salesian missionaries and friends of the Salesian Missions!

Since "every call is an indication that the Lord loves the Congregation" (C22), the presence of 45 new missionaries in the Basilica of Mary Help of Christians for 143<sup>rd</sup> missionary expedition manifests the love of God to many young non-Christians, who are waiting for the new messengers of the Gospel. Like the majority of 400-500 Salesian novices of every year, the majority of missionaries comes from the two continents of Asia and Africa.

At Valdocco, on September 30, everyone gets the missionary cross from the hands of the Rector Major. But the process which started since each wrote the application to the Rector Major was the same until each of them are sent. The initial motivation to the missionary life usually happens during the aspirantate or novitiate. Thanks to an en-

counter with a missionary, to a missionary video or a short summer missionary experience, a journey without borders is initiated. The motivations in the written applications to Fr Pascual Chávez - 'to be sent anywhere in the world depending to the needs of the congregation' - shows that sometimes there is a need to deepen the motivations for the missionary life, to understand better the meaning of "missio ad gentes" in the style of Don

During the 25 days of the course (Rome - Colle Don Bosco) the new missionaries are helped to deepen their motivations. The giving of the missionary cross explains it all: '... Receive the sign of the love of Christ the Redeemer. May it be for you support and model of authentic and faithful love. Be the smile and the presence of the tenderness of Jesus to young people to whom you are sent. In your mission strive to be holy and you will find the joy that fills your life. '

I invite everyone to pray that many Salesians may be open to respond to the missionary call!

Fr. Václav Klement, SDB Councillor for the Missions

## Why an Orientation Course for New Missionaries ?

The Orientation Course for New Missionaries - from September 5 to 30, 2012 - is intended as an aid to the immediate preparation of the new missionaries before their departure, in order to provide them with adequate tools to enter into a new culture, become part of a new people and develop the personal attitudes of openness, respect and trust so that their missionari presence may be effective, humble and discreet.

The course takes place in Rome-Pisana and at the Salesian holy places. It consists of three nuclei - anthropological-cultural, missiological and Salesian - and is intended primarily as a formation experience (foster correct attitudes and values for a missionary) and not information (acquisition of new knowledge or ideas); it is intended to help the new missionary to verify, investigate and, sometimes, to discover the profound reasons for his becoming a missionary; great importance is given, therefore, to personal reflection and prayer, the sharing of experiences and listening to testimonies.

The giving of the missionary cross by the Rector Major in the Basilica of Mary Help of Christians - at Valdocco on September 30<sup>th</sup> - is the highlight of the course.

Let us accompany our 45 new missionaries with our prayers!

Fr. Alfred Maravilla, SDB Course Coordinator



## Members of the 143rd Salesian Missionary Expedition

«The traditional, long-accepted model of a division of the world into "Christian countries" and "mission lands", despite its conceptual clarity, is now seen as limited, overly simple and no longer applicable to the present situation, and thus, unable to be used as a reference in building today's Christian communities».

(Synod on New Evangelisation. Lineamenta, 9)

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## Salesian Missionary Vocation: the 143<sup>rd</sup> Salesian Missionary Expedition

That the testimony of the new Salesian missionaries sent by the Rector Major in 2012 may inspire and foster, especially in the young Provinces, a renewed missionary impulse.

From the time of Don Bosco about 11,000 Salesians were sent from the Basilica of Mary Help of Christians in Valdocco, Turin. The majority of the Salesians discover their missionary vocation ad gentes by meeting another Salesian missionary. The testimony of missionary life shared with young people, with the conference in the most important contribution to



ary life shared with young people, with the confreres is the most important contribution to missionary promotion. Let us pray that all Provinces may learn to use all the means of social communication to bring the experience of their missionaries to the attention of all (Salesian Bulletin, Provincial News, visits of missionaries to local communities, contribution to Cagliero11 or its distribution in the communities).