M 28 : 19

Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit

COMMITMENT TO DOMISAL 2009
GIVING QUALITY TO MISSIONARY ANIMATION

Since 1988, its main aim has been to give **IMPULSE to missionary animation throughout the Congregation by offering something by way of an annual project**, and it is usually based on some frontier situation; it is set up along similar lines to the World Mission Day proclaimed by the Pope. It is not an isolated event, rather a chance to involve our SDB and EPC communities in the missionary dynamic of the universal Church, so has a broad perspective.

DOMISAL aims to arouse

* Missionary cooperation, by presenting some current Salesian missionary work
* Fervour for mission in Salesian communities and their work (SDB, youth, Salesian Family, lay people)
* An opening up of minds and hearts to make room for the missionary activity of the universal Church and the Congregation
* A new faith-filled enthusiasm for missions and especially missionary vocations *ad gentes*

SUPPORT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MISSIONARY ANIMATION DESKS IN EVERY SALESIAN SETTING!

Dear (Fr Rector, Mission Delegate)!

This year we are celebrating the 150th birthday of our Congregation. John Cagliero (1838-1926) was amongst the first four who accepted Don Bosco's invitation in 1854 to form the Salesian Society, and he was chosen to lead the first missionary expedition on 11 November 1875 to Argentina. So we would like to call this simple monthly animation tool *Cagliero 11*.

With *Cagliero 11* we are aiming to reach every Salesian community in the world to remind ourselves at least once a month to pray for all our missionaries ad gentes. As we are thinking of them, we remind ourselves that

In some provinces, on the 11th of each month a Mass is celebrated for missonaries and they are prayed for. This little newsletter could be used for spiritual reading, or as a part of Vespers / Evening Prayer.

Towards the end of it you will also find the Salesian Mission Intention which follows the general and misson intentions of the Holy Father - all this can be found too in www.sdb.org.

The Salesian Mission Sunday (DOMISAL) for 2009 is an occasion for provinces to swap experiences and mission praxis. In each edition of the newsletter you will find material for mission animation in the provinces, and an excellent resource for these ideas and others is the Salesian Digital Library (http://sdl.sdb.org), which is accessible to everyone.

It is my fervent hope that *Cagliero 11* can help us keep the mission flame alight!

Fr Vàclav Klement, SDB
Missions Councillor

Practical Project: DOMISAL 2009

Giving quality to mission animation in every Province

Aims of DOMISAL 2009

1. To establish personal contact with delegates and enable better links amongst themselves through sharing and getting to know ideas and approaches in their Provinces for more effective mission animation

2. Where necessary, improving the profile and role of the Mission Delegate and offering them successful approaches for integrating mission animation within the Youth Ministry framework

3. Offering provinces and communities simple material for mission animation.

From the land of the Nomads
Don Bosco in Mongolia

From ancient times, Mongols referred to their motherland as Blue Mongolia, because of the eternal blue dome hanging over the endless steppes. Located in the heart of Central Asia, sandwiched between the two superpowers, China and Russia, it has a population of only 2.7 million people, living sparsely over a territory of 1.5 million sq km, or equal to half the size of Europe. Presently, children and young people under 35 make up 70 per cent of the population and the average age is 21. Out of the 2.7 million, about half live in cities and towns, while the remaining 47 per cent still live a nomadic lifestyle.

In 1991, the government of Mongolia was faced with so many complex problems that it asked the Catholic Church to help, recognizing its commitment to young people and the poor. This meant working in a nation that for 70 years had not heard of the Gospel, and in a place where no local church communities or structures existed. Among the various congregations that offered to serve the people of Mongolia were the Salesians, who arrived in 2001.

They began work with the young people of Mongolia, to fulfill the Church's desire to be of service, especially to those most in need. The local Church, here in Mongolia, has entrusts to Don Bosco the education of the youth, particularly those who have difficulty going to secondary schools, obtaining a diploma, or going to a university. These are the young people in Mongolian society who are most on the margins.

This mission was entrusted to the Vietnam Salesians, a vibrant province of the congregation, which now has 205 professed Salesians and 35 novices. The capital city of Mongolia is Ulaanbaatar, or Red Hero, the centre of politics, business and finance, culture and science. Here the Salesians have opened a house for more than 70 street children.

Fr. Carlo Villegas receives the medal of honor from Mr. G. Monkhbayar, Mayor Ulaanbaatar City. Inset is the plaque of recognition given to Fr. Carlo and the Salesian community.

DON BOSCO mission
für die Jugend dieser Welt

CONGRATULATIONS to
Fr. Carlo Maria Savio Villegas

2 Feb. '09: - A Salesian is awarded the **'medal of honor'** of the capital city of Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. A medal and plaque was awarded from the Mayor of the capital city. It brings a distinguished honor to the Salesian work of quality education in professional schools of Don Bosco, the significant presence of the Catholic Church and her missionaries within short years. Officials reminded that Don Bosco Industrial Training Skills Center be a model school for the advancement of skills and knowlege in the youth of Mongolia.