

Volunteer opportunities  
for young Catholics



"Let it be done unto me,  
according to thy word"

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# Disclaimer:

The Eagle Eye Institute has assembled the following volunteer opportunities as a service to young people looking for opportunities to serve the Lord in His Church. Neither Eagle Eye nor the Congregation of St. John explicitly endorse any of these activities or associations nor wish to imply any approval thereof. The following packet is simply a sampling of existing opportunities and is submitted to the prudential judgment and free discernment of each individual.

Neither Eagle Eye nor the Congregation of St. John has taken the time to examine the activities/positions/viewpoints of all of these organizations. Such an investigation would be important for each person to do on their own. We simply wish to furnish you with the means to contact them should they interest you.

# SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES



"We are not the sum of our weaknesses and failures; we are the sum of the  
Father's love for us..."

- Pope John Paul II, World Youth Day 2002

# EAGLE EYE



*Eagle Eye exists to take you into the fullness of LIFE Jesus came to give us.*

## Summer Institutes

Designed for young people who are thirsting to discover a new depth and intensity to their Faith, Eagle Eye Summer Institutes provide 8 days of prayer, asking deep questions, and just plain fun for young people with the Brothers and Sisters of St. John. The Brothers and Sisters of St. John provide a rich spiritual environment that both encourages young people to seek the truth about their lives in the light of God, and leads them to the response to their questions in the Person of Christ. A Summer Institute is all of the fun of a summer camp, all of the prayer of a retreat, and all of the rigor of a Philosophy and Theology seminar wrapped together and made accessible to our youth! Come and see!



A two-day hike, followed by five days of monastic prayer, Philosophy and Theology classes, and fun in an environment conducive to friendship.

**We are in need of chaperones, male and females to help with these camps....**

- **For teens (16 – 19)**
  - Fargo, North Dakota
  - Front Royal, Virginia
  - Carey, Ohio
  - Princeville, Illinois
- **For Young Adults (19 – 30)**
  - Fargo, North Dakota
  - Princeville, Illinois
  - Anchorage, Alaska

**"How deep do you want to go?"**

For more information, contact Fr. Nathan, CSJ at [brudernathan@yahoo.com](mailto:brudernathan@yahoo.com) or (309) 385-1193 ext. 207

“I came that they might have LIFE and have it more abundantly” (Jn. 10:10)

# Catholic Heart Work Camp

Catholic HEART Work Camp is looking for young adults who are willing to give a summer of their life to the Lord by serving high school students through mission trips while living in community with other young adults. Staff members will be sharing their faith in action even while doing the most mundane tasks. Catholic Heart Work Camp desires staff members have an attitude of, "whatever needs to be done, I will do."



Our mission is twofold, first, to share the love of Jesus and serve the neglected, brokenhearted and marginalized in any way needed. The Catholic Heart Work Camp mission is to revitalize communities and beautify homes for the elderly, disabled and those who cannot afford needed repairs. Our goal is to inspire participants to serve in their local communities. Second, we wish to empower participants to live as disciples of Christ through serving others. We hope to foster the spiritual growth of each participant through the sacraments, Catholic faith sharing and prayer.

*If interested please check out the website: [www.heartworkcamp.com](http://www.heartworkcamp.com)*

*On the left side of the web page click on "summer staff info"*

*21 years or older (20 year's olds possible)*

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## Project MEXICO & St. Innocent Orphanage

*Building Hope for Boys without Families and Families without Homes*

P.O. Box 120028  
Chula Vista, CA 91912  
619-426-4610  
[www.projectmexico.org](http://www.projectmexico.org)

### WANTED:

Extremely hard worker for a job that requires very long hours in the hot sun, limited days off over a 3 month period, rustic accommodations with minimal privacy, highest moral standards required and no pay.....

...but every summer for the past fifteen years, a handful of hardy young people have done just that. And as a result, they had the experience of a lifetime as Project Mexico interns!

More than fifty young men and women have completed a variety of internships—a few in our administrative office, several as workers at St. Innocent Orphanage, but most as an integral part of our summer staff, helping to ensure that hundreds of volunteers have a safe and positive experience as they build homes for poor families of Tijuana.

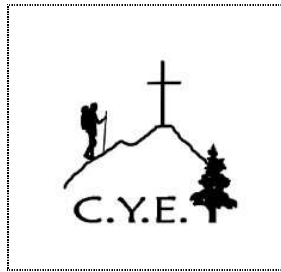
What happens in the life of an intern during this time? The specific answers vary; but the theme is always the same – their lives are forever changed- and as a result, they go on to have a huge impact for Christ in their careers, their home parishes, and the Church at large.

\*If interested please visit the website or call the number listed above.\*

# Catholic Youth Expeditions

920-312-0070

[www.cyexpedition.org](http://www.cyexpedition.org)



Catholic Youth Expeditions began in 2002 with seven young adults taking an expedition retreat on beautiful Chamber's Island, Door County, Wisconsin. In 2006, CYE began its first college summer mission staff. This past summer, CYE had twelve summer staff members live in Catholic Christian community while receiving solid Catholic formation and putting on nine expedition retreats including a pilgrimage to Quebec City, Canada for the Eucharistic Congress.

Fr. Quinn Mann invites you to join our mission either with a three month summer staff mission opportunity or a nine month academic year internship staff commitment.

Either commitment will enable you to join in our mission statement to, "Encounter Catholic Christian community through expedition retreats of prayer, proclamation of the Gospel and outdoor adventure." Whether you commit to three months or nine months, these experiences are sure to spur you on in faith, give you valuable apostolic leadership training and form you as a disciple of Jesus Christ. Our Church needs you! Please prayerfully consider applying for these two formative opportunities and join us in Door County, Wisconsin to enjoy nature and bring the Gospel to the youth of our Church!

***Cast out into the deep!***



# TOTUS TUUS

"TOTUS TUUS is Latin for "Totally Yours". By these words, John Paul II reminds us of Mary's total gift of herself to God the Father. It represents our desire to give ourselves entirely to Jesus Christ through the hands of His Immaculate Mother."

MARY'S "YES" AT THE ANNUNCIATION, AND HER TOTAL SACRIFICE AND SERVICE TO THE BODY OF CHRIST EXEMPLIFY THIS TOTAL COMMITMENT. TOTUS TUUS, THEN, REMINDS US OF THE TREMENDOUS AND SOMETIMES DIFFICULT CALL TO SPEND OURSELVES FOR CHRIST WHILE RELYING ON THE INTERCESSION OF HIS MOTHER, AND TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO ALL THOSE THAT WE MEET.



TOTUS TUUS IS A CATHOLIC CATECHETICAL PROGRAM DEDICATED TO SHARING THE GOSPEL AND PROMOTING THE CATHOLIC FAITH THROUGH CATECHESIS, EVANGELIZATION, CHRISTIAN WITNESS, AND EUCHARISTIC WORSHIP. THE GOAL OF TOTUS TUUS IS TO HELP YOUNG PEOPLE DEVELOP THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST SO THAT THERE IS AN INTIMATE FRIENDSHIP WHEREBY HE MAY LEAD THEM TO THE FATHER BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. TO ACCOMPLISH THIS, WE EMPHASIZE A DEVOTION AND LOVE FOR OUR LORD IN THE EUCHARIST AND FOR MARY OUR MOTHER. WE STRIVE TO HELP YOUNG PEOPLE UNDERSTAND THEIR FAITH THROUGH CATECHESIS SO THAT THEY MAY LIVE IT IN TODAY'S WORLD. WE DO THIS IN SUCH A WAY THAT IT IS FUN FOR BOTH TEACHERS AND YOUTH ALIKE. A TOTUS TUUS TEACHER HELPS TO MAKE THE FAITH REAL TO THE YOUTH AS A WAY OF LIFE AND LOVE AND NOT SIMPLY A SET OF RULES AND OBLIGATIONS.

THE PROGRAM CALLS UPON COLLEGE STUDENTS AND SEMINARIANS FROM ACROSS THE UNITED STATES TO CARRY OUT THIS MISSION. THOSE HIRED ARE TRAINED AND PUT ONTO TEAMS OF FOUR (TWO MEN AND TWO WOMEN) TO GO OUT INTO A PARISH FOR A WEEK, PUTTING ON A "PARISH MISSION" IN ORDER TO TEACH AND INSPIRE THE YOUNG. THEY DO THIS FOR SEVEN WEEKS. IN ADDITION TO TRYING TO COMMUNICATE OUR FAITH AND TRANSLATE THAT INTO DAILY LIFE, WE STRIVE TO FOSTER CHRISTIAN VOCATIONS. IT IS OUR FIRM BELIEF THAT VOCATIONS, CALLINGS FROM GOD, CAN ONLY BE HEARD AND RESPONDED TO IF ONE IS LIVING A CHRISTIAN LIFE. WE STRIVE TO FOSTER THIS, FIRST AND FOREMOST, IN OUR TEACHERS BY PROVIDING THEM WITH AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE FAITH, A STRONG PRAYER LIFE, AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO WITNESS TO THEIR FAITH. THE TEACHERS SIGN A "COVENANT" IN WHICH THEY PROMISE TO BE OPEN TO GOD'S WILL FOR THEM AND TO ACTIVELY DISCERN GOD'S CALL IN THEIR LIFE. BECAUSE THE TEACHERS ARE STRIVING TO LIVE AN AUTHENTIC CHRISTIAN LIFE AND ARE ACTIVELY DISCERNING THEIR VOCATION, THEY CAN BETTER HELP THE YOUTH TO DO THE SAME.



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# S.H.I.N.E Catholic Work Camp

Serving Him In the Needy and Elderly

[www.shinecatholicworkcamp.com](http://www.shinecatholicworkcamp.com)

281-516-7516

S.H.I.N.E began in the summer of 2000 by Augie and Dawn Leal from Houston, TX. Augie & Dawn have been involved in youth ministry in the Archdiocese of Galveston/Houston for almost 20 years. Together they do all sorts of retreats and have done retreat ministry around the country over the years. Augie also shares his gift of music ministry in parishes and at conferences across the nation throughout the year.

SHINE stands for Serving Him In the Needy and Elderly. It has always been the vision of the Leals to empower teens to live out their baptismal call to serve those in need. They have always had a passion for leading teens and for serving God's people. They minister as a family and it brings them great joy to see their own kids learn to love a life of service.

When they aren't running around at SHINE summer after summer making sure everything is running smooth. Augie can be found being "Dad" and traveling across the country doing concerts and retreats as well as leading the LIFE TEEN band at St. Anne's in Tomball. Dawn can be found being "Mom" and being involved in their children's school as well as running her Creative Memories business.

The Leal's are honored and humbled to be able to be involved with SHINE and even more excited to be a part of the huge family of SHINE volunteers.

S.H.I.N.E Catholic Work Camp offers young adults an opportunity to serve high school students through mission trips during the summer months. You would be on a S.H.I.N.E summer staff with other young adults traveling throughout the United States serving the needy and elderly and helping the Leals organize the mission trips in various states. Stipends are provided. If interested please call or visit the website.

**-YOUNG DISCIPLES CATECHISTS-**

...And how could they know if they have not heard. And how could they hear unless someone told them. (Romans 10:14)

## The Apostolate

The Young Disciples are an apostolate of Catholic young adults that travel from town to town to evangelize and catechize in rural communities and reservations.

## Mission

Through their witness marked by the joy and hope of faith, the Young Disciples Teams seek to challenge youth to love Jesus Christ and to embrace the life of His Church – their mission is evangelization and catechesis.



## Summer Camps

For 10 weeks in the summer, the Young Disciples Teams conduct weeklong day camps for grades K-6 and evening teen missions for rural parishes and reservations.

Parishes may also ask teams to conduct family activities and participate in other community affairs. Daily Mass and Reconciliation are a part of every camp. The teams also proclaim the Gospel through small groups, prayer, music, drama, games and crafts. Participants are given the opportunity to “yes” to Jesus in their daily lives

## Team Members & Success

Established in summer 2001, young adults have come from 27 different states (including CA, CT, IA, ID, IL, LA, KT, MA, MI, MN, MO, MD, MS, MT, NC, ND, NJ, NM, NY, OH, OR, PA, SD, SC, TX, WI, WY) and the countries of Portugal, Ireland and Slovakia. They have conducted over a hundred day camps and a similar number of teen missions and adult’s nights, reaching thousands of people with the Good News of Jesus Christ. Team members often continue their apostolic work by being catechists, campus ministers, youth ministers, DRE’s and parents. Some also pursue religious vocations or the priesthood.

## How to be a Team Member

Similar to other Catholic internships, we need people who love Jesus and His Church, AND are at least 18 years old. Applicants should desire to witness to elementary age students (although there will be some family, adult, and teen ministry) and be available for **10 WEEKS NEXT SUMMER, May 14-July 28, 2009**. Team members will be on break from 9 p.m. June 26 to 3 p.m. July 3. You may send us an email to request an application. **The deadline for applicants is April 10, 2009**. Be sure to include your name, address, and telephone number in your email so that we can get back to you right away!

<http://www.fargodiocese.org/youngdisciples/>



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Families  
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Families  
get to  
Heaven



# Catholic Familyland

[www.familyland.org](http://www.familyland.org)

**Mission:** To simultaneously transform families and parishes. To nourish families through the Catholic Faith in the Eucharistic and Marian Spirit of Pope John Paul II. To provide tri-media evangelization and catechetical systems to transform neighborhoods into God-centered communities through Lay Ecclesial Teams open to individuals of approved diverse spiritualities and associations.

**Founded & approved by the Church in the Holy Year of 1975— Canonical Global Center —  
Archdiocese of New York**

**Purpose:** To transform and nourish families and parishes through the Catholic Faith in the Eucharistic and Marian spirit of Pope John Paul II by providing tri-media evangelization & catechetical systems through Lay Ecclesial Teams open to Church-approved associations.

Every summer it is our great pleasure to welcome college age young adults from all over the country to participate in our Alumni Corps program. These young adults bring their energy and enthusiasm to help us to administer our Holy Family Fests and have made the Alumni Corps program a very important part of our summer staff. They help in all aspects of running our Holy Family Fests, especially the youth program. Check out the short video on line to see for yourself!

## DETAILS:

- College age young adults who have been out of high school for at least one year
- Receive a stipend of \$160/week
- Room and Board provided

Serve for a 10 week period - June 9 to August 15

Make new friends

Serve God and families

Grow in prayer

Email Greg Becker at [alumni corps@familyland.org](mailto:alumni corps@familyland.org) if interested



Crossroads was founded in 1994 by Steve Sanborn, a student at Franciscan University of Steubenville (Ohio) as a response to the Holy Father's call to take an active role in the pro-life movement in order to establish a Culture of Life. An integral part of Crossroads is our yearly pilgrimage across the United States. Each summer, young adults walk from San Francisco and Los Angeles, California to Washington, D.C. witnessing to the dignity and sanctity of all human life from the moment of conception to natural death.

During our pilgrimage across the United States, we strive always to join our efforts, prayers and small sacrifices with the sufferings of Christ Crucified for the sake of the innocent. Part of the mission of our walk is to speak to the survivors of abortion — the youth of America.

We also speak to parish groups to encourage pro-life activism in their communities.

During the walk, we stop at local abortion clinics along the route to participate in prayerful, peaceful protests and sidewalk counseling.

Crossroads recognizes the need to spread the message of life and love through the means that the modern world provides. We actively participate in radio, television and newspaper interviews with the mainstream media as well as religious media outlets.

Our organization also sponsors what is known as the Michael Project Fund. Through the donations we receive, we are able to provide some assistance to women in financial crisis who would like to choose the gift of life for their child.

Each young adult who takes on the challenge of walking across our country with Crossroads is an integral part of the ministry.

### **Mission**

Crossroads is a Civil Rights organization that exists in order to help bring about a Culture of Life and defend the right to life of all unborn children. Because any such Culture of Life must take root in the youth of our society to truly flourish, Crossroads especially looks to involve and challenge young people to actively take part in bringing it about. By looking to Jesus and Mary as role models in prayer and sacrifice, and by understanding the value of suffering, we hope to convert hearts and minds and to save lives. Mindful of this mission, Crossroads looks to the following statement made by the Church in the Catholic Catechism:

"Human life must be respected and protected absolutely from the moment of conception. From the first moment of his existence, a human being must be recognized as having the rights of a person - among which is the inviolable right of every innocent being to life." -CCC 2270

The question to you is: Are you ready for the challenge? Are you ready to follow the Holy Father's call to help build a Culture of Life in America?

If not you, then who?  
If not now, then when?

**Call Us Today!**  
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**(U.S. and Canada)**  
**Email: [contact@crossroadswalk.com](mailto:contact@crossroadswalk.com)**

<http://www.crossroadswalk.org/>

### **SAVING LIVES AND CHANGING HEARTS Crossroads at a glance**

**Who:** Primarily college-age students. Men and women, who are 18 or older, from colleges and universities across the United States are welcome to participate.

**What:** Three summer walks across America that are over 3,000 miles each. Besides walking for the unborn, walkers educate the youth of America about the Pro-Life movement through conferences, talks, radio, TV, and newspapers.

**When:** Every summer, from around May 20th through August 15th.

**Where:** Three walks, originating from Seattle, San Francisco and Los Angeles, all ending at the U.S. Capitol building in Washington, D.C.

**Why:** To witness to the dignity and sanctity of every human life, especially the unborn. Crossroads is a peaceful organization dedicated to help bring about a Culture of Life in America.



The  
**Community of St. John**  
In the United States

Laredo TX  
Princeville IL



*Father Marie-Dominique Philippe, O.P., founder of the Community of St. John, 1912 - 2006.*

YEAR LONG OPPORTUNITIES  
AVAILABLE THROUGH THE  
COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN



## Eagle Eye School of Evangelization

In 1989, 500,000 young people from around the world gathered in Spain for World Youth Day. The world was stunned. Why had these young people come to see this Pope? What could have attracted them? A journalist asked the Holy Father how he had gotten the idea for World Youth Day. What had he come to see? His response was astonishing: *"I have come to greet the martyrs of the third millennium."*

The Eagle Eye School of Evangelization draws its inspiration from this vision of young people. In a special way, it desires to make the summons to a New Evangelization issued by Pope Paul VI in his 1975 encyclical letter *On Evangelization in the Modern World* a reality for men and women of today. Through an incessant effort of conversion to Christ, the participants will gain the zeal and intelligence necessary to pass on the Church's ancient Faith to modern man by modern means.

**To this end, the School of Evangelization will strive to form young disciples of Christ, ready to spread the Gospel:**

- **By plunging them in a direct and intimate knowledge of the Person of Christ** through daily silent prayer, *Lectio Divina*, Theological and Philosophical study, formation in the treasures of our Christian spiritual heritage, and a life lived in small community with their peers.
- **By directly engaging them in the concrete work of the New Evangelization.** Each participant will be entrusted with a specific opportunity for evangelization (leading Holy Hours, Children's Adoration, organizing a teen pilgrimage to World Youth Day, Christian book publishing, etc.)
- **By allowing them to bear witness to others** through learning how to organize and lead retreats for Confirmation-age and teenage groups throughout the Diocese of Peoria.
- **By providing a real formation in knowledge of the arts and culture** - so necessary in order to reach modern man - through classes, cultural events, and weekly exposure to various arts and artists.
- **By offering the opportunity to learn necessary skills for Youth Ministry** (small group work, how to bear responsibility for others, helping teens in difficulty, etc.), public speaking, and logistics management.

Living together, working together, praying together, these young people will form a community of friends of Jesus, earnestly seeking to make him known and loved, like the first Christians. They will live a common life focused on hearing Christ's cry of thirst so as to make known his merciful love in the modern world.

For more information...

Visit the website at [soaringforwisdom.com](http://soaringforwisdom.com) and click on "Eagle Eye Institute"

Or contact Father Nathan Cromly

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309-385-1193



## A year in India with the Brothers at an orphanage

We have 21 school age children (ages 5 to 16) both boys and girls. We are looking for someone who is can be a “project person.” Some of the kids need some one on one time to either learn some skills like coloring, shape matching, reading, and other basic things. Also, if we plan a special day or camp for the kids, it would be nice if we had someone who is creative and can design some activities. We have plenty of supplies, but just not the right person to teach the kids. What we have discovered is that we don’t need someone to live with us constantly, but someone who can come when we need them and draw back when we need time as a “family.” Then of course, sometimes I need to run into town and so does the Indian man who works here (Jewel) so occasionally we need someone to be here alone with the kids and we cannot. And while the kids are pretty autonomous, they need to be watched.

There are other things they can do too-we have a small Montessori school for toddlers and they can help out there as well as spend time playing with them. The toddlers live with women who have AIDS, and so sometimes the women need time to rest. They don’t have the energy to entertain or interact with them.

I also think it would be a good idea for this volunteer to be able to spend at least one day a week in the city of Pondicherry which is about a 20 minute bus ride from here. They can either work at a home for severely disabled children with the Missionaries of Charity, or at a crèche for children who are trying to be adopted, run by the Sister of Cluny. There are also some other organizations who need volunteers in village areas. This would give the volunteer a wider experience of India and gets them outside of our place where things can be vastly different.

It would be best if this person would be able to come for at least 2 or 3 months to receive a good experience as it takes about that length of time for the children to respond to someone.

***If interested please Contact Carol Collins at [caruth22@hotmail.com](mailto:caruth22@hotmail.com)***



“The mystery of John is the mystery of the Beloved Disciple, the one who rested his head on Jesus’ breast at the Last Supper.”

—Fr. Marie Dominique Philippe

# A Year with the Brothers and Apostolic Sisters in the Philippines

What follows is a testimony of a young woman who spent two months in Cebu in the summer of 2008:



*“I was fortunate enough to work with a variety of people in a variety of settings in the two months I spent in Cebu, an island in the Philippines. I taught English classes to about twenty children in middle school, visited patients at the psychiatric hospital, talked with and prayed with residents at the Missionaries of Charity home for the dying and destitute, taught various character development classes to teens in the juvenile prison, created mini-lessons for the children at the*

*Missionaries of Charity home for children, and I assisted the Sisters every week in their Catechism classes in the surrounding barrios all while living the prayer life of the Apostolic Sisters of St. John and taking some of the classes offered through the community. I was truly able to experience Christ through another. I learned that no matter the nationality, economic standings, or education the need is the same, the thirst is the same. It is the same thirst Christ had on the cross, that of love. It was here that I met the littlest of the little, the poorest of the poor, and the simplest of the simple and yet they stood taller than many, richer than most, and most profound of any. I went there to serve others and in the end they are the ones that taught me compassion. The ones that taught me hope. The ones that taught me faith. They showed me how much I lack but how much others can give. This was a starting point for me to look deeper in myself and take stock in what is truly important in me. I went out in hopes of changing the world and in the end found that this small island on the other side of the world changed me for the better.”*

For more information please check out the website at: <http://www.stjean.com/Cebu/>

Or Email:

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Brothers: [cebu@stjean.com](mailto:cebu@stjean.com)

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## A year at the School of Life in Saltillo



This unique opportunity is a great way to work with the very poor of Saltillo, pray close to the Brothers and Sisters of St. John, and meet other volunteers from France. The work with the poor included teaching English, catechesis, playing with children, visiting families, etc. The work is coordinated by the Brothers of St. John in Saltillo, and carried out in conjunction with other young adult volunteers from France and elsewhere.

Please contact Father Nathan at [brudernathan@yahoo.com](mailto:brudernathan@yahoo.com) for more details!

A year with the Brothers and Sisters in French Speaking Africa

## “NOÉ MISSION” ST. JOHN “NOAH MISSION”



FOUNDED IN 2002 IN ORDER TO MEET TWO NEEDS: YOUNG PEOPLE SEEKING TO GIVE A YEAR IN HUMANITARIAN MISSION WORK AND THE BROTHERS AND SISTERS OF THE COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN NEEDING HELP TO ACCOMPLISH THEIR APOSTOLATES.

WE SEARCH OUT, FORM, AND GUIDE ANY VOLUNTEERS (OVER 20 YEARS OLD) WHO SEEK TO COMMIT TO 10-24 MONTHS OF HUMANITARIAN MISSION WORK WITH A PRIORY OF THE COMMUNITY OF SAINT JOHN IN FRENCH SPEAKING COUNTRIES.

THIS TIME INCLUDES FORMATION BY CLASSES, COMMON LIFE, AND A LIFE OF PRAYER.



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## A “School of Life” in Geneva, Switzerland



Living 9 months of community in a Priory of the Brothers of St. John in Geneva, Switzerland in order to receive philosophical and theological formation and help with the Brother’s apostolate.

- Living in the heart of a city, near the children of the neighborhood
- Once per month, retreat days in St. Jodard
- Working with Sacred are and sacred chant
- For young people from 18-30 years of age

### **Contact Information:**

Father Reginald at: [stjean@stfrancois-ge.ch](mailto:stjean@stfrancois-ge.ch)

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## Working with Street Children with the Brothers in Lithuania

This rewarding experience gives young people the chance to reach out to children abandoned to the streets. Volunteers staff households in the countryside where the children can study, work, and receive the loving attention they need.

If interested please contact Fr. Nathan @ [brudernathan@yahoo.com](mailto:brudernathan@yahoo.com)

ADDITIONAL YEAR LONG  
OPPORTUNITIES NOT WITH THE  
COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN



“With all the strength of my soul I urge you young people to approach the Communion table as often as you can. Feed on this bread of angels whence you will draw all the energy you need to fight inner battles. Because true happiness, dear friends, does not consist in the pleasures of the world or in earthly things, but in peace of conscience, which we have only if we are pure in heart and mind.”

~Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassatti~



# N.E.T MINISTRIES

## NATIONAL EVANGELIZATION TEAMS

THE MISSION OF NET MINISTRIES IS TO CHALLENGE YOUNG CATHOLICS TO LOVE CHRIST AND EMBRACE THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH.

NET MINISTRIES IS AN INTERNATIONAL YOUTH MINISTRY ORGANIZATION, AND IT FULFILLS ITS MISSION BY:

- PROCLAIMING THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST THROUGH A PERSONAL WITNESS OF FAITH
- INVITING YOUNG PEOPLE TO LIVE FOR CHRIST
- FORMING YOUNG PEOPLE IN CHRISTIAN CHARACTER THROUGH THE STUDY AND PRACTICE OF THEIR FAITH
- EQUIPPING YOUTH WORKERS AND YOUNG ADULTS WITH THE MINISTRY SKILLS NEEDED FOR EVANGELIZATION.

### WHAT'S IT LIKE TO BE ON A NET TEAM?

EACH TEAM HITS THE ROAD IN OCTOBER, ARMED WITH SUITCASES, SLEEPING BAGS, GUITARS, BIBLES, PICTURES FROM HOME AND HEARTS BURNING FOR CHRIST!



EACH TEAM LEADS RETREATS SIX DAYS A WEEK, AND WHEN NOT ON RETREAT, THE NET TEAMS SHARE THEIR FAITH WHENEVER AND WHEREVER POSSIBLE. THE PARISH TEAMS DIVE INTO PARISH LIFE BY ATTENDING SCHOOL AND PARISH EVENTS, JOINING YOUTH AT THEIR LOCAL HANGOUTS AND SPORTING GAMES, AND SHARING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST WITH ALL THOSE THEY ENCOUNTER.

[www.netusa.org](http://www.netusa.org)  
615-450-6833

\*INTERNATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE WITH NET ALSO EXIST\*



# LAMP MINISTRIES

LAY APOSTOLIC MINISTRIES WITH THE POOR

“LAMP MINISTRIES, A CANONICALLY RECOGNIZED CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION, BY THE GRACE OF GOD, ENABLES CATHOLIC MISSIONARIES (PEOPLE LIKE YOU) TO MOVE THE HEARTBEATS OF JESUS AND MARY, IN EVANGELIZING AMONG THE MATERIALLY POOR.”

## PROCLAIMING THE GOSPEL IN SEASON AND OUT OF SEASON

LAMP MINISTRIES PROVIDES AN AVENUE FOR SINGLE MEN AND WOMEN, MARRIED COUPLES, RELIGIOUS SISTERS, BROTHERS, AND PRIESTS TO EVANGELIZE WITH THE MATERIALLY POOR IN THE METROPOLITAN NEW YORK AREA AND BEYOND. WHILE ALSO ASSISTING IN MEETING THE PHYSICAL NEEDS OF THE POOR, LAMP MISSIONARY SERVES IN MATERIALLY POOR PARISHES, SHELTERS FOR HOMELESS FAMILIES, AND OTHER SITES WHERE THE POOR RESIDE AND STRUGGLE TO BE AWARE OF THEIR DIGNITY. LAMP MISSIONARIES TAKE TIME TO LISTEN, BEFRIEND, PRAY WITH AND PRESENT THE GOOD NEWS—SHARING WITH THE HOMELESS AND POOR THE COMPASSION OF JESUS.

### ARE YOU CALLED TO SERVE THE POOR THROUGH THIS CATHOLIC APOSTOLATE?

- AS A LAMP MISSIONARY YOU ARE ABLE TO GIVE ONE OR MORE YEARS OF YOUR LIFE TO THE LORD THROUGH EVANGELIZING AND SERVICE WITH THE POOR AND HOMELESS
- AS A LAMP MISSIONARY YOU RECEIVE ONGOING MISSIONARY FORMATION AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT, A DEEPER TRANSFORMATION OF LIFE IN CHRIST JESUS THROUGH SERVICE WITH THE POOR
- MISSIONARIES RECEIVE A STIPEND, ROOM & BOARD, AND MEDICAL INSURANCE
- MISSIONARIES RECEIVE WEEKLY PASTORAL SUPPORT GATHERINGS WITH ADORATION, MASS, SHARING AND LUNCH.

“I HAVE BECOME A NEW PERSON THROUGH MY SERVICE IN LAMP. THROUGH PRAYER, SPIRITUAL COMMUNION AND THE HOLY EUCHARIST, SO MANY PEOPLE WHO ARE SICK OR LONELY OR DYING HAVE RECEIVED THE LORD, AND HAVE SEEN SUCH POWERFUL MANIFESTATIONS OF HIS LOVE AND PEACE IN THEIR LIVES. WITNESSING THIS DAY AFTER DAY HAS CHANGED MY LIFE. IT HAS MADE ME A NEW MAN, A NEW CREATION.” (CHESTER, LAMP MISSIONARY FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS)

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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*“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He has chosen me to bring good news to the poor.” (Luke 4:18)*



Camp Gray, located in Lake Delton, Wisconsin, is owned and operated by the Catholic Diocese of Madison. We have 225 beautiful acres that we love to share. We are a co-ed, overnight summer camp and year-round retreat center. Camp is dedicated to enriching the spiritual lives of youth and

combining faith, friends, and fun.

During the summer we offer numerous programs for campers ranging from 1st through 12th grade. Camp sessions typically last one week (with some two week sessions available for older campers) Camp Gray is proud to be accredited by the American Camp Association. ACA Accreditation means that Camp Gray cares enough for your child to undergo a thorough (over 300 standards) review of its operation – from staff qualifications and training to emergency management. American Camp Association collaborates with experts from the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Red Cross, and other youth service agencies to assure that the practices at Camp Gray reflect the most up-to-date, researched-based standards in camp operation. Camp Gray and ACA form a partnership that promotes summers of growth and fun in an environment committed to safety. Camp Gray is one of the preeminent Catholic youth camps in the country. Check out the summer camp page for more details about our summer programs.

### Camp Gray Staff Positions and Benefits:

**We are looking for excited, energetic, and responsible applicants to fill these positions:**

- Counselor
- Program Assistant
- Wilderness Trip Leader
- Kitchen Assistant
- Health Assistant
- Office Assistant
- Program Coordinator
- Program Specialist (Arts & Crafts, Aquatics, Tower Climbing)
- Administrative Coordinator
- Operations Assistant
- Ministry Specialist

**There are numerous benefits to working at Camp Gray for the summer. Some of these benefits include:**

- Ten weeks of room and board
- Base salary of \$237/week
- Be part of a supportive, fun, caring staff community
- Meet new people and develop lasting friendships
- Work with children in an outdoor setting
- Valuable training, work experience and skill development (leadership, communication, organization, time management, recreation planning, teaching, parenting, etc.)
- An opportunity to grow and share faith
- An opportunity for year-round involvement with retreat ministry

If interested please contact:

Email: [bigfun@campgray.com](mailto:bigfun@campgray.com)  
Website: [www.campgray.com](http://www.campgray.com)  
(608) 356-8200





Called by the late Pope John Paul II a “providential seed of the civilization of love,” L’Arche is a sign of hope in a divided world.”

L’Arche enables people with and without disabilities to share their lives in communities of faith and friendship. Community members are transformed through relationships of mutuality, respect, and companionship as they live, work, pray, and play together.



In these ways, L’Arche USA gives witness to the vision that people of differing intellectual capacity, religion, and culture can come together in unity, faithfulness and reconciliation. While some of our communities were founded in the Roman Catholic Church tradition, today L’Arche USA communities are ecumenical and welcome people of all faiths.

### **Become a L’Arche assistant**



#### **What is a L’Arche assistant?**

At L’Arche, persons with a developmental disability are known as "core members," and “assistants” are those who come to share life with them. Assistants accompany core members in their activities of daily life: creating home and supporting core members in sharing their gifts within the house and the larger community.

#### **What do assistants do?**

Assistants work to build a relationship of mutual care and support with persons with disabilities; foster a home life of unity, mutual respect and participation by all members; provide direct care supports and skill building for core members: personal care needs, money management, medical care, appointments, family and work connections, household chores, laundry, medications, meal preparation, and transportation.

#### **What sort of commitment does L’Arche ask of assistants?**

Most assistants dedicate a year or two to L’Arche, although some of our communities welcome assistants for a shorter period of time. Some assistants also choose to renew their commitment at the end of that time. Because of the nature of L’Arche, building and fostering intentional relationship and community, a year or two offers community members time to settle into life together. There are also assistants that build a long-term home at L’Arche. The decision to continue living L’Arche is a thoughtful process for each assistant made with support from their peers, community coordinators, and others who surround the assistant in community.

If L’Arche sounds like an interesting opportunity to you and you are interested in more information or would like to contact them, visit their website: <http://larcheusa.org/>  
*International opportunities exist*

“Life flowing from one to another is a strange and wonderful thing—and sharing weaknesses and needs calls us together into a common humanity.”  
— Jean Vanier, Founder of L’Arche

# The Fellowship of Catholic University Students

**To know Christ Jesus, and to fulfill His Great Commission, by first living and then communicating the fullness of life within the Family of God, the Church.**



Founded in 1998 by Curtis Martin, FOCUS, The Fellowship of Catholic University Students, is a national outreach to college campuses, to secular and Catholic schools. Through small group Bible studies, large group leadership training, and one-on-one discipleship, FOCUS brings the fullness of life and truth in the Catholic Church to college students and

gives the tools to help them share this good news with their friends. FOCUS is working to play a vital role in the *new evangelization* called for by Pope John Paul II.

FOCUS teaches recent college graduates, trains them in the teachings of the Church, Scripture and practical aspects of ministry, and sends them out typically in teams of four to serve on college campuses. FOCUS staff members make an initial two-year commitment to this full-time work. FOCUS works with the blessing of the local bishop and the support of the pastor and existing ministry(ies).

We practice what we call "relational evangelization" which is based in friendship. We believe it is necessary to earn the right to be heard, and work to earn the trust of the students and within that setting we share the gospel.

Our staff works between 40-50 hours a week to make themselves present to the students and begin Catholic Scripture studies and one on one formation we call discipleship.

For more information check out the Focus website: <http://www.focusonline.org/index.html>

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

### **National Headquarters**

#### **Address:**

Fellowship of Catholic University Students  
PO Box 33656  
Denver, CO 80233

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*"...through us He wants to draw to Himself the greatest number of souls possible."*

- St. Maximilian Kolbe



*1) What is the School of Faith and Mission?*

The St. Therese School of Faith and Mission is a nine month program designed to help you deepen and explore your faith and connect with your God-given mission in life.

*2) Who can come?*

Any person aged 17+ with a sincere desire to grow in relationship with Jesus and live a deep life of faith and mission. We especially encourage graduates of other formation programs and ministries who are searching for their next step on life's journey.



*3) What will I experience and learn?*

St. Therese is a school of spiritual life and mission. St. Therese's believes that a well balanced Catholic formation includes intellectual and spiritual formation. Therefore, while receiving faith, mission, and leadership formation, the St. Therese student is intellectually and academically equipped to meet the challenges a modern disciple meets walking with Jesus in the world today. Through the example of St. Thérèse, patron of the School, St. Thérèse College is a spiritual environment forming disciples in Jesus Christ. St. Thérèse teaches by her example her simple little way of love and this program reflects her approach to God. St. Thérèse's is a Christ-centered environment of Catholic spirituality and Catholic action. We aim to catechize the whole person into the love that never ends.



For more information check out the website: <http://www.sttherese.ca/home.php>

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Bruno, SK, Canada  
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306-369-2555 (office)  
306-369-7555 (Andy Tahn, Executive Director)



"There is only one thing to do during the brief day, or rather, night of this life: Love Jesus with all the strength of your heart and save souls for Him, so that He may be loved!"

St. Therese of Lisieux

## Contact Information

St. Patrick's Evangelization School  
St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church  
London  
<http://www.stpatricksoho.org/spes/vision.htm>



The patron saint of St. Patrick's Evangelization School is the French Jesuit *St. Claude de la Colombiere*. He ranks among the masters of the spiritual life as a director of souls. In his life, he gave direction to countless souls, including St. Margaret Mary of the Sacred Heart revelations. St. Claude collaborated with the revelations by preaching missions, giving retreats on the Sacred Heart, and by making his own consecration to the Sacred Heart. Jesus told St. Margaret Mary: *"Father Claude is my perfect friend and servant. His gift is to lead souls."*



The School prayer room has been called after him and, as a community; we shall draw upon his wisdom in answering our call to holiness.

### Personal Prayer

*"When you pray go into your room, close the door and pray to your father who is with you in secret; and your father, who sees what is kept secret, will reward you"* (Matthew 6:6)

Students are encouraged to make time for personal prayer—to organize a time during their day in which they can be alone with God.

Jean Vanier believes that for those who live in community it is *"absolutely essential for us to have moments alone to pray and meet God in silence and quietness."* Not only is it a benefit to our own personal growth but to the community as a whole, Vanier continues, *"This solitude does not separate me from others; it helps me love them more tenderly, realistically and attentively."*

### Community Prayer

Community prayer is scheduled into the daily program. Each day begins with praying the Divine Office. Later in the morning we come together to pray the Rosary, after which we attend, as a community, the daily Parish Mass. When possible, we pray the Angelus and in the evening we gather before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament for an hour of adoration.

SPES Academic Program runs over three semesters, each week contain 12-15 hours of lectures. The lecturers, who are assisting in the academic program, have graciously agreed to give of their time. They have a wonderful belief in young people and a desire to see them deepen their knowledge and application of the Catholic faith.

The lectures give a basic rhythm for the days at SPES. The topics Include:

- Basic teaching in Theology and Philosophy
- Spirituality
- Human Development and Related Skills, Covering Psychology, Counseling, Awareness, Anger Management, Time Management
- Vocational Discernment, modules covering religious life, priesthood, celibacy and chastity, marriage, lay movements, singleness, sexuality, community life.
- Accredited study of the Catechism of the Catholic Church.
- Skills and tools involved in Evangelization.

During the last week of the School year, students will partake in a graduation ceremony. After a celebratory Mass, they will be individually presented with certificates of achievement and awarded the Diploma in Religious Studies by the Maryvale Institute. Bishop Bernard Longley, Auxiliary Bishop of the Westminster Diocese, will attend and students will be officially commissioned as missionaries of the new evangelization.

OPPORTUNITIES  
WITH VARIED LENGTHS  
OF TIME

"Christianity is not a collection of truths to be believed; of laws to be obeyed...Christianity is a person, one who loved us very much, one who calls for our love. Christianity is Christ."

- *Archbishop Oscar Romero*



# Missionaries of Charity

[Http://home.comcast.net/~motherteresaside/addresses.html#volunteers](http://home.comcast.net/~motherteresaside/addresses.html#volunteers)

## The Bronx Location

718-292-0019  
-soup kitchen  
-men's shelter



## Children's summer Program

### \*\*summer opportunity\*\*

These day camps run July through August and are for children and adolescents ages 5-14 years old. If interested in volunteering for the Missionaries of Charity for these summer camps you must be at least 18 years of age. Women volunteers would live in Harlem at the Missionaries of Charity women's shelter and men volunteers reside at the men's shelter. Please call the Bronx Location (718-292-0019) if you are interested in serving in this apostolate.

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\*\* If interested in serving at any of the locations listed below please call the number listed and speak with a Missionary of Charity about your interest.\*\*

## Washington Location

202-269-3313

## Unwed Mother's Home

### Washington

202-562-6890

### Baltimore

## AIDS HOME for men

Men volunteers only  
410-732-6056

### New York

## AIDS HOME for men

Men volunteers only  
212-645-0587

### Pennsylvania

## AIDS HOME for women

610-494-7424  
Women volunteers only



# Father Carr's Place 2B

Oshkosh, WI

Contact director Joe Geniesse at: 920-231-2378 or email:

[geniessejmj@aol.com](mailto:geniessejmj@aol.com)

Free room, board, and food in exchange for your self gift to the poor. Male volunteers would reside at the Men's shelter and female volunteers would reside at Holy Family Women and Children's Villa with 3 Handmaids of the Divine Redeemer. Opportunities range from serving lunch, helping organize the St. Martin de Porres Food Bank, serving as a receptionist at St. Francis free Clinic, picking up donations, to just simply talking to someone who needs to talk.

If interested contact Joe Geniesse. This opportunity could be for as long or as short as you would like.

Fridays 5:30p-6:30p Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament followed by 6:30p Mass

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[Working with the Missionaries of Charity in Ethiopia serving abandon women](#)

"Join the Missionaries of Charity in Ethiopia at the service of young women who have been rejected from society because of mental handicaps. Pray, work, and discover the joy of loving with the Missionaries of Charity.

For more information, contact Father Nathan at [brudernathan@yahoo.com](mailto:brudernathan@yahoo.com)





<http://www.goodcounselhomes.org/about/mission.php>  
973-293-8600

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Good Counsel is a private Catholic agency whose primary mission is to help homeless pregnant women by providing a loving family environment in a safe and secure shelter. Begun in 1985 by Fr. Benedict Groeschel and Chris Bell, both leaders in the pro-life movement, Good Counsel has grown to five homes in the New York greater metropolitan area.



Working closely with the Sisters of Life through our Lumina outreach we have developed an outstanding program of support and healing for those suffering from abortion related problems.

#### **How we accomplish our mission?**

*Love, support and tools needed for stability and success.*

Good Counsel's staff surrounds our mothers with unconditional love. To figure out how we can best help each mother, Good Counsel evaluates the whole person by assessing her life skills, literacy level and personality. Women receive educational and vocational assistance and professional counseling. Mothers staying with us are able to learn a trade and map out goals to achieve while at Good Counsel and when they move on to new, independent lives.



#### **At Her Own Pace**

A Good Counsel mom may live in a home throughout her pregnancy and then up to a year or more after the birth of her baby. Each residence becomes a woman's home where she is able to learn parenting skills and encouraged to work or attend school while living with us. All mothers share household responsibilities like cooking, cleaning and other chores. As one can imagine, the needs of operating successful Good Counsel residences are many.

*Good Counsel greatly benefits from any donor support when implementing our programs and assisting mothers and babies in need.*

#### **Volunteering at Good Counsel**

#### **How Can Donors and Volunteers Help Good Counsel Accomplish its Worthy Work and Mission?**

We are always ready to welcome great volunteers! Donors and volunteers can join Good Counsel and help our families get a new start in life in a variety of ways, from the smallest details to the most complex. From fundraising and friend-raising to teaching, mentoring and sharing time and talents, plenty of volunteer opportunities exist in both the Good Counsel offices and residences. We are also in need of prayer volunteers.

Please be aware that Good Counsel will conduct background checks of our volunteers at our sole discretion.





# Missioners of Christ

## CONTACT INFORMATION

<http://www.missioners.org/index.htm>

Telephone: (757) 424-8774

E-mail: [info@missioners.org](mailto:info@missioners.org)

## Our Mission

The Missioners of Christ is a Catholic Christian community centered in prayer and united by a Covenant that evangelizes, disciples, and sends forth youth and young adults on domestic and foreign missions to fulfill the Great Commission of Christ.

## **The Four Pillars**

Our "four pillars" shape the essence of our formation and spirituality; we are ***Eucharistic*** understanding the Eucharist to be "the source and summit of Christian life" (CCC 1324)

***Charismatic*** believing in and calling upon the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, which are "at the service of charity which builds up the Church" (CCC 2003)

***Marian*** holding a special devotion to Our Lady, which is "intrinsic to Christian worship" (CCC 971), recognizing Mary as a "preeminent and... wholly unique member of the Church" (CCC 967),

***Magisterial*** being submitted to the teaching authority of the Catholic Church, whose "authority in this matter is exercised in the name of Jesus Christ" (CCC 85).

*Ministry is at the heart of the Missioners, for it is here that we most fully enter into the Great Commission, taking the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the very ends of the earth.*

- † Our work in Honduras is primarily evangelism and discipleship. The Community of volunteers are "contemplatives in action" as John Paul II put it. We have 3.5 hours of prayer each day (including the Mass), and strive hard to build up disciples both within in out of the Community.
- † We accept extended-term volunteers (XT) who commit to serving two years or more. There is a fairly vigorous application and discernment process... which, for those we invite, includes 3-5 months of in-country discernment for a longer period of service. XTs are covered by our insurance, though admittedly, it is not as comprehensive as a regular US plan might be. No stipend at this time, but we do cover all of their room and board with the funds they have raised as well as other funds. Ages begin at 20.
- † We also accept "mid-term" volunteers, who serve either 4 weeks in the winter break, or 12 weeks in the summer break.
- † And finally, we take people for Short-Term missions.... 5 – 12 days, throughout the year. We have 6 adult missions scheduled for 2009.

Please see website above for more information.



<http://www.solt.org/missions.html>

The "Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity", whose spirituality leads to communion with the Most Holy Trinity through the discipleship of Jesus and Mary, was founded on the feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, July 16, 1958, by Father James H. Flanagan under the guidance of Archbishop Edwin V. Byrne, D.D., of Santa Fe. The "Clerical Society of Apostolic Life", and the "Sisters Society of Apostolic Life" were erected canonical by R. Rev. Rene H. Gracida, Bishop of Corpus Christi, Texas, on December 8th, 1994. The Society's international headquarters is located in Robstown, Texas, in the diocese of Corpus Christi.

The Society of Our Lady is comprised of priests and permanent deacons, religious, and single and married laity united in the solidarity of graced friendships as a family, in oneness with Jesus and Our Father, and joined to the Church in fidelity, loyalty and charity. United to the saving mission and ministries of the Church, the members serve in Her apostolic works, especially in the areas of deepest human and spiritual need. By serving together on Ecclesial teams, the members of Our Lady's Society present to the People of God an image of the Church as Community in the gift of Her three vocations of priest, religious and laity.

By their special dedication to imitate Mary in her communion with the Three Persons of the Most Holy Trinity and in her communion with all in becoming like Jesus, they bear witness to the People of God of the Church-as-Communion. The members of the Society of Our Lady are serving at the present time on Ecclesial teams in Belize and Guatemala, Haiti, Mexico, Papua New Guinea, the Philippine Islands and Thailand. The teams serve the people of God in parishes and mission out-stations, orphanages, schools, medical clinics for the rural poor, and drug rehabilitation centers for afflicted youth. In the United States, the Ecclesial teams are serving in parishes, as well as in specialized ministries such as those for migrant workers and their children, the Native American Hopi tribe and inner-city families.

Realizing their own poverty and need and recognizing that they are the little children of Our Lord and Our Lady, the members of Our Lady's Society strive to become one with their brothers and sisters in their lives as People of God. Using their gifts and sharing themselves with those they serve, they aim to contribute to the Church's saving mission to the People-of-God-as-Community and to Her task of bringing all into the fullness of the communion. *Charism, Vision and Mission of the Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity.*

*What are Ecclesial Teams?* Ecclesial Teams are comprised of at least one priest, sister and laity (either married couple or a single person). This mirrors the family of the Most Holy Trinity. It is based on the Holy Family of Jesus, Joseph and Mary. The way these teams function are taken from the first community of disciples Jesus founded. These Ecclesial Teams live the life and mission of the Church in its essential unity given the diversity of its vocations. The members compliment each other in their formation, growth, support, and mission; relate to one another in their obedience of relationships which flows from the Most Holy Trinity.

"The hour has arrived for preparing young generations of apostles who have no fear about proclaiming the Gospel."  
- Pope John Paul II

# Our Lady of Lourdes Hospitality North American Volunteers, LTD.



## Our Mission:

*"To extend the invitation of the Immaculate Conception as given to Bernadette in the Grotto at Lourdes; to serve the sick and suffering at Lourdes and at home following the loving example of St. Bernadette in simplicity, humility and obedience."*

Our Lady of Lourdes hospitality North American Volunteers is a Public Association of the Christian Faithful founded in the Syracuse Diocese under the Ecclesial Authority of Most Revered James Moynihan. Originally formed in 2002 at the invitation of the Hospitalité Notre-Dame de Lourdes in France, our apostolate mission identifies our primary goal: "to extend the invitation to North Americans and to serve the sick and suffering." We extend the invitation of the Immaculate Conception by sharing the Message of Lourdes offering "Virtual Pilgrimage" experiences at parishes, schools, prisons, hospices and to organized groups in the United States. By informing North Americans "of good will" at home and abroad about the need for English-speaking volunteers at Lourdes, we facilitate the admission and training processes, as well as the travel and Sanctuary accommodations to make volunteer service known, easily accessible and affordable. Special Needs Pilgrimages for the sick and disabled are offered annually with a team of dedicated volunteer medical professionals and loving care givers to assist the handicapped and terminally ill throughout travel and pilgrimage at Lourdes.

*Is our Lady calling you?*

### The Accueil Notre Dame & the Accueil Marie Saint-Frai

*Accueil* is French for *welcome*. The sick and disabled are housed and cared for in these special facilities during their pilgrimage. The Accueil Notre Dame offers 950 beds; the Accueil Saint-Frai offers 450 beds for special needs pilgrims. Behind the scenes, but necessary duties afford limited interaction with pilgrims. Because of the flexibility of the schedule, a volunteer may have more free time on some days, less on others.

### The Piscines

The *piscines* are the *pools* of Lourdes where pilgrims come to bathe in the waters from the Grotto. Bath attendants have the profound privilege of working intimately with the sick pilgrims who come to bathe in the waters of Lourdes. Piscine service is physically and emotionally demanding, yet very rewarding work. Bending and lifting required. The schedule is set, so planning free time is easy. You may be requested to stay longer hours during busy times.

### The Service of St. Joseph (men only)

Each St. Joseph volunteer is assigned to a five-person team for the volunteer week. Volunteers can be assigned to a full range of tasks offering varied interaction with pilgrims. It is possible to be assigned to serve at all of these capacities; therefore flexibility is integral to this volunteer service.

If interested in this volunteer opportunity please contact the contact information listed below:

(315)476-0026 or toll-free 1 (866) LOURDES  
www.lourdesvolunteers.org  
Email: info@lourdesvolunteers.org

# St. Paul's Outreach

## **History**

Saint Paul's Outreach was founded in 1985 by a group of Catholic young adults who were called to help college students learn how to live out their Catholic faith in their daily lives. During the past 20 years, thousands of young adults – students enrolled at the University of St. Thomas, College of St. Catherine, University of Minnesota, St. Olaf College, Carleton College, the Ohio State University, Ohio Dominican University, and other universities – have discovered, nurtured, and matured their Catholic faith through the ministry of Saint Paul's Outreach. They are now living adult lives of faith. More than 120 alumni serve the Catholic Church as priests, Religious, seminarians or novices; others are teachers, businesspeople, and lay leaders in the Church. Hundreds are living marriage and family life as a vocation and raising their children in deep faith and strong character.

## **Mission and Goals**

The mission of Saint Paul's Outreach is to engage young adults in a life of Christian Discipleship. This is accomplished by presenting young adults with the life-changing power of the Gospel and training them to live as followers of Christ within the Catholic Church.

*Saint Paul's Outreach carries out its mission by:*

- Developing personal relationships with young adults*
- Testifying to young adults the "New Life" that is found in Christ*
- Forming young adults through teaching, mentoring, mission opportunities and small groups to enable them to live as disciples of Christ in their daily lives*
- Fostering environments of Christian life within the Catholic Church*
- Preparing young adults for a life of service and mission*
- Training young adults to be leaders in the Church and in the world*

Saint Paul's Outreach is responding to the challenge of the late Pope John Paul II and our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI to influence the world through a "New Evangelization." Traditionally, evangelization was a proclamation of the Gospel to those who had never heard the Christian message. The "New Evangelization" is a mission to proclaim the Gospel afresh to people and cultures where Christianity once flourished, but have become marginalized because of the secular culture. This is the situation confronting college students in their faith journeys today, and it is severe. Saint Paul's Outreach reaches out to thousands of university students and young adults at a critical time when they are making tough decisions that will affect their entire lives. The fruit of this ministry is a sign of tremendous hope for the Catholic Church and the world.



## **The "New Evangelization" involves:**

- + Awakening and deepening baptismal faith
- + Maturing of this faith in Christian holiness
- + Living this faith practically in daily life

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# DISCERNMENT OPPORTUNITIES



*"When you wonder about the mystery of yourself, look to Christ, who gives you the meaning of life. When you wonder what it means to be a mature person, look to Christ, who is the fullness of humanity. And when you wonder about your role in the future of the world look to Christ."*

*- Pope John Paul II, to the youth of New York, 1979*



## Eagle Eye School of Evangelization

In 1989, 500,000 young people from around the world gathered in Spain for World Youth Day. The world was stunned. Why had these young people come to see this Pope? What could have attracted them? A journalist asked the Holy Father how he had gotten the idea for World Youth Day. What had he come to see? His response was astonishing: *"I have come to greet the martyrs of the third millennium."*

The Eagle Eye School of Evangelization draws its inspiration from this vision of young people. In a special way, it desires to make the summons to a New Evangelization issued by Pope Paul VI in his 1975 encyclical letter *On Evangelization in the Modern World* a reality for men and women of today. Through an incessant effort of conversion to Christ, the participants will gain the zeal and intelligence necessary to pass on the Church's ancient Faith to modern man by modern means.

**To this end, the School of Evangelization will strive to form young disciples of Christ, ready to spread the Gospel:**

- **By plunging them in a direct and intimate knowledge of the Person of Christ** through daily silent prayer, *Lectio Divina*, Theological and Philosophical study, formation in the treasures of our Christian spiritual heritage, and a life lived in small community with their peers.
- **By directly engaging them in the concrete work of the New Evangelization.** Each participant will be entrusted with a specific opportunity for evangelization (leading Holy Hours, Children's Adoration, organizing a teen pilgrimage to World Youth Day, Christian book publishing, etc.)
- **By allowing them to bear witness to others** through learning how to organize and lead retreats for Confirmation-age and teenage groups throughout the Diocese of Peoria.
- **By providing a real formation in knowledge of the arts and culture** - so necessary in order to reach modern man - through classes, cultural events, and weekly exposure to various arts and artists.
- **By offering the opportunity to learn necessary skills for Youth Ministry** (small group work, how to bear responsibility for others, helping teens in difficulty, etc.), public speaking, and logistics management.

Living together, working together, praying together, these young people will form a community of friends of Jesus, earnestly seeking to make him known and loved, like the first Christians. They will live a common life focused on hearing Christ's cry of thirst so as to make known his merciful love in the modern world.

For more information...

Visit the website at [soaringforwisdom.com](http://soaringforwisdom.com) and click on "Eagle Eye Institute"

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# Mater Redemptoris Convent and House of Formation

“A place for young women to discern their vocation”

“Say not, I am too young.” (Jeremiah 1:4)

Founded on August 22 in the Jubilee Year 2000, Mater Redemptoris Convent and House of Formation is a place for young women (ages 17-25 years old) to discern if God is calling them to the Consecrated Life. While receiving their academic education, the young women (called aspirants) learn what religious life is all about by living in the convent during the school week. The aspirants may go home to be with their families three weekends a month. One weekend a month, the Sisters and the aspirants take the time to learn about religious congregations and their spirituality, prayer, and way of life. These Formation Weekends are also open to those young women who believe God may be calling them to religious life but cannot live at the House of Formation.

Aspirants seek to learn how Sisters live and pray in community. They receive regular spiritual direction and human and spiritual formation so as to become the young women God has created them to be.

Involvement in some short-term school activities such as band, clubs, and service groups is encouraged. Activities such as the school play and sports are not permitted at the time taken for the activity takes away from the purpose of the aspirants' presence at the House of Formation.

The House of Formation is staffed by the Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George whose apostolic presence is found in schools, healthcare, and parishes in over ten dioceses in the nation.

Aspirants contribute \$450.00 per month for room and board, and vocation travel expenses to the House of Formation.

**If you are interested in this Discernment opportunity please contact:**

**Sr. M. Stephania Newell**

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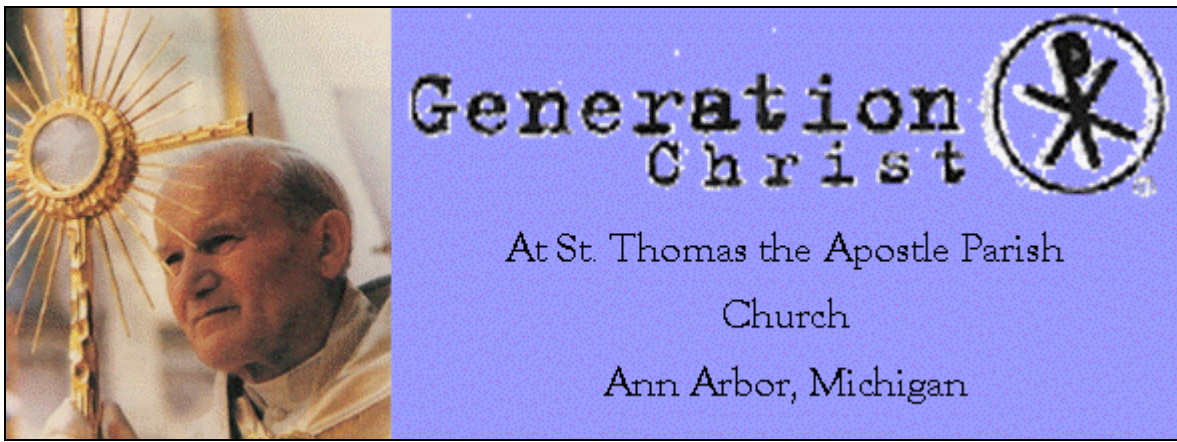
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*“And so, today, with great strength and great conviction, on the basis of long personal experience of life, I say to you, dear young people: Do not be afraid of Christ! He takes nothing away, and he gives you everything. When we give ourselves to him, we receive a hundredfold in return. Yes, open, open wide the doors to Christ – and you will find true life. Amen.” Pope Benedict XVI*



What is St. Catherine House, you may ask? In short, it's a Generation Christ residence for young women (18 to 30) who desire to grow closer to Jesus, particularly through the Eucharist, who desire to seek God's will for their lives, and who desire to support one another in doing so. The thirteen women who live there are simply wonderful.

What about the Fr. McGivney House?

The Fr. McGivney HOUSE is a brand new initiative and still in the works, since the actual house (521 Elizabeth Street right across from the rectory) has not yet been purchased. We already do have three daring young men living on its second floor, leasing from the current owners. These "founding fathers" are Nathaniel Dreyer, Nate Haverland, and Zach Mabee. They are quite a diverse group: one is a senior pre-med student, another is a grad student in Nuclear Engineering from Kansas, and the towering third (6'7") is a gym teacher at Spiritus Sanctus Catholic School and a part-time philosopher (his major when he was at UM).

Men who live in the Fr. McGivney House have an openness to the possibility that God may be calling them to the priesthood. Thus, they live a common prayer life, joining me and Fr. Jeff across the street for Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer, and Night Prayer when their schedules allow. If the purchase of the house is successful, there will be room for nine men in all.

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