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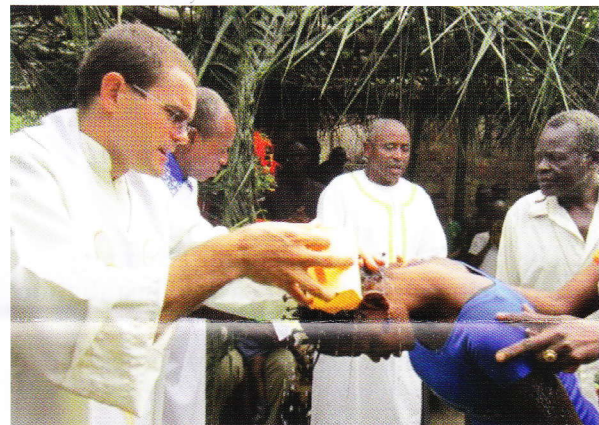
Body and Soul!

“OH WHEN THE SAINTS GO MARCHING IN!”

End of October, beginning of November? In many countries, religions and popular traditions, we remember “the Spirits”, “all the Saints” and “all the Faithful departed”. Many of our benefactors, friends and relatives will be sending Mass intentions, and even make an addition to their Will, asking the Missionaries of Africa to pray and celebrating Mass in memory of their loved ones gone to the Father’s House. As you know, most of the requested Masses will be celebrated in Africa. In doing so, our Missionaries in the field receive support in their service to the African people, for the corporal and spiritual works of mercy.



Pictured on the right, we see Fr. Marcio Sampaio, a Brazilian Missionary of Africa, serving in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Diocese of Kasongo. With contributions from the local population, with the help of his friends and relatives in Brazil,



with the support of our donors, Fr. Marcio takes care of both “the soul” and “the body” of his parishioners in the Congo. He is always on the road, baptizing a woman in an outstation (photo above), or seeing to the renovation of his parish field hospital. A new maternity ward (photo left) has been added recently with fired red clay bricks handmade from soil nearby.

Halloween, All Saints Day, All Souls Day? “Oh when the Saints go marching in, When the Saints go marching in, O Lord, I want to be in that number, When the Saints go marching in. We are traveling in the footsteps of those who’ve gone before, (Gospel Hymn) but if we stand united, then a new World is in store.”
Fr. Julian, M.Afr.

Boreholes for the Ojoo Community in Nigeria

The ground had a rocky depth which made it very difficult for drilling and installation of the underground water pump. Yet, this problem didn't stop the parishioners of St. Augustine Catholic Church and the local community from preparing the earth for the eventual borehole and water tanks.



The borehole process entails a few steps -site clearing, drilling and casing, installation of water pumps, electrical wiring and fittings, concrete base, and installation of pipes and

plumbing material. Once the water pipes are laid and connected to the four water tanks (photos), water taps for the Church compound and for the community will provide fresh water for drinking, cooking, bathing and four public toilets



As Father Vigilus Kawana, M.Afr. said *"Your support has indeed put smiles on many faces and has provided a necessity for life".*

Motor Bikes and Spreading the Good News!

Holy Cross Catholic Parish in Tamale, Ghana has 2,657 members and geographically extends to six (6) outstations (sub-parishes). The parish has three priest who are not able to cover all the outstations and they depend on the help of the two (2) parish catechists.

The outstations are far apart with some more than three miles away. The ministry of a catechist is to give instructions to catechumens, visit and pray with the sick and give them Holy Communion, marriage counseling, and leading Communion Service whenever the priest is not able to cover all the outstations.

As you can imagine, the catechists' major barrier is transportation in their ministry of spreading the Good News. The



photograph above is just one of two motor bikes purchased with the funds given to Holy Cross Parish.

Your generosity to our missions is greatly appreciated!

Solar Panels & Water Tanks

Once the funds arrived at the Catholic Primary School of Marie Eugenie, Kpedigni-Notse, Togo, the project began for the construction of the water tower, the installation of the solar panels, the pumps and finally electricity for the classrooms.



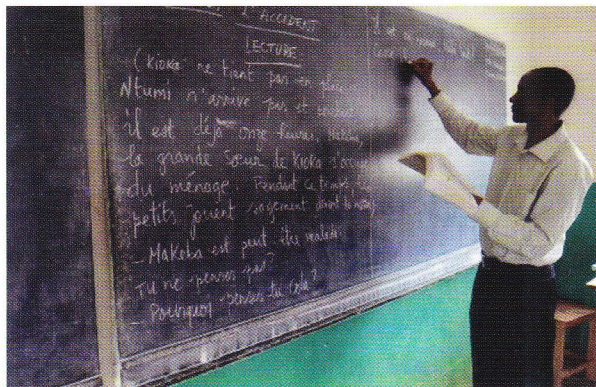
As you can see in the photo to the left, capturing solar energy will serve two purposes for daily living. It will provide light at the school for reading and improving students' performance and for pumping underground water into the water tanks for drinking water, cooking, bathing and farming.



The Gift of Books

In an age when hardback books and e-books are easily available, many children do not own one book. This may be difficult to imagine, but at the Mulezli Grammar School in the D.R. Congo this is very true.

Founded in 1958, the school can only buy one book a year in each course. Every teacher must write the text of the book on the blackboard, as you can see in the photo below. What a challenge to the learning



process when each student doesn't have their own book to read!

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