

## MISSION REPORT # 9

*Mission Saint Therese of the Infant Jesus*

Reaching out to the “Poorest of the Poor”

Mouila, Gabon, Africa – February, 2016

by Rev. Canon Henry Fragelli

(For any new reader: This *Mission Report* is a letter to my family and friends. So don't be surprised to find it very family-like casual and with little order.)

### *Gratitude: fuel to our existence.*

*Being in Africa we experience in real life what every Child of God should experience in their Spiritual Life. Here we depend COMPLETELY on God's goodness. It is why, perhaps, He and the Blessed Mother reveal themselves here more than in any other place I have been. Yes, like every Child of God should, here we live of gratitude, and we will never cease to thank Them for their love, goodness, protection, and You for your prayers and generosity. It may be a small or a big sacrifice for you, but know that this Mission could NOT exist without it, and we will never forget you. If we could earn badges for Heaven... you, dear donor of the Mission, have your “Missionary Badge”.*

### A BIG THANKS TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER

for protecting us from a huge fire at the Mission.



**Above:** Sample of the burned wire found all over the roof.  
**Bellow:** New heavy-weight cables were installed, with new electrical boxes and breakers for each circuit, for each house.



Yes, it was Our Lady's feast day, August 15, and **all the sudden... a massive electrical fire.** We were in the dark for many days.

“*Father, you should have had a fire at the Mission!*” told me the first electrician called on scene. And after two months, when, thanks to your generosity, we had the means to restore the damage, we brought a good electrician from Libreville, who, after a quick evaluation, baffled told me: “*Father, someone ‘up there’ was looking out for the Mission. Because **fire started in at least ten places and they were ALL mysteriously put out.***” (And this good electrician... is a pagan.) I had no doubt: it was the Blessed Mother. (It is fitting to remember that August is the peak of the “dry season”. Not a drop of water falls from the sky for 3 months. Everything was crispy-dry for a fire.) But... don't mess with the Blessed Mother!!!

**OUR GRATITUDE...** to the generous donors that allowed us to FINALLY get an electrical generator for the Mission. And we now ask ourselves: *“How did we do it? How did we live all these years, with at times several days without electricity and water, not to mention three, five, seven power-outages per day?”* Life at the Mission has changed. It’s amazing! So: Thank you, thank you, thank you, dear donors! A “new chapter” began for us because of your generosity.



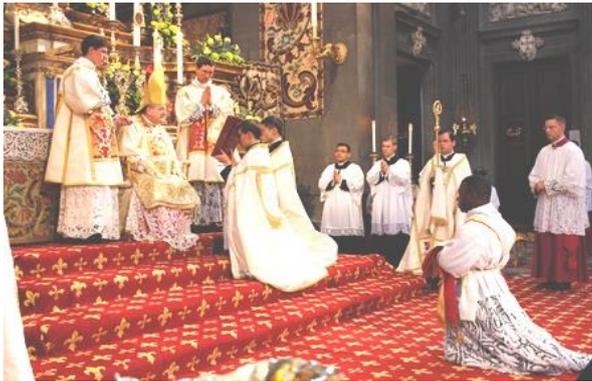
**Photos:** Construction of the generator’s “home”, right next to the water tower we build last year. Fourteen men to transport the heavy generator.



**OUR GRATITUDE...** to the 3 generous donors that allowed us to send Martha Therese and Angelique Therese, to spend the summer with our *Sisters Adorer* in Italy. According to Reverend Mother: *“They were the joy of the Novices.”* While there, they “discovered” in the middle of the woods, a little oratory to the Blessed Mother, which they “dug out”. These are the only pictures I have. But obviously, they participated in all of the Sister’s life: Offices, Adoration, Meditation, recreation, etc. They are turning out to be two fine young ladies, and one can already see the Religious Vocation blossoming. Blessed be God!

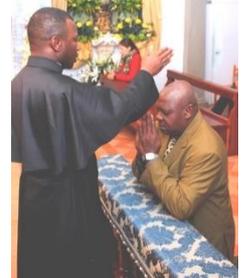


**OUR GRATITUDE...** to the seven very generous donors that made it possible for a delegation from the Mouila Mission – from where seminarian Pierre Bivouli is from – to attend his **Ordination in Florence on November 26, 2015.** It was a history making event, for the Mission.

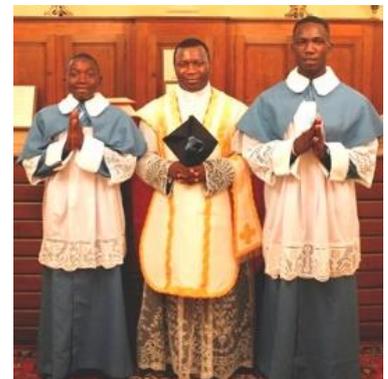


First blessings

Above: The



This trip was a turning point in history for the Mission. They got to see and experience that which is the Holy Roman Catholic Church in ways they had never suspected before.



Mouila faithful with newly ordained Rev. Canon Pierre Bivouli. His First Mass served by two altar boys from Mouila.



With his "African" confreres.



As Canon Bivouli stepped out of the church after his Ordination, Mouila faithful held this large banner: **Mission Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, of Mouila, FIRST house of the Institute of Christ the King, greets and is proud of its son, Canon Pierre Bivouli, FIRST Gabonese Priest of our dear Institute.**

## FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED MOTHER – 2015

Blessing and inauguration of the beautiful façade of our church in Libreville, presided by His Eminence Cardinal Burke, in the presence of Msgr. Basile Mve, Archbishop of Libreville, and honored by the presence of Gabon’s President and many other religious, civil, and military authorities. For us, from Mouila, it was our first outing to the country’s capital.



- Arriving with our 26 altar boys, and 50 faithful.
- Msgr. Wach opens the ceremony with a speech.
- Solemn High Mass
- Mouila faithful with Cardinal Burke and Abbé Bivouli



The Mouila faithful lodged at the guest house of the *Poor Clare Sisters*, just outside of Libreville.



**As malaria and other infectious diseases ravage the country... death is, here, a reality of every day. It surrounds us, taking away, at times, those so, so young! Funerals... just... “something one does after breakfast!”**



**On the other side of the coin... something that makes us smile every day: Little *Marc Antoine* and *Chardin Moise* (my Godson), the “Mission mascots”. Innocence it truly the most beautiful thing!**



1. This is their school (left) called “*Les Poucins de Dieu*” (God’s little chic’s), ran by our good friends, the **Trinitarian Sisters**. 2. When they come back from school, they “must” come “show Father” what they learned that day. 3. And often they come into my office, while I am working... “*Father... can we just stay here watching you?*” “*Yes, as long as you stay in silence.*” “*Yes, Father*”. Well... that doesn’t last long as they start asking a million questions. So... they get “kicked out”. ☺



4. Their birthdays are a day apart. Always a “highlight” of the Mission’s calendar. 5. Leading the little troop.



6. But... they are hard workers too! ☺

“Playing” the guitar



8, 9, Our youngest servers (“*Flower Pots*”) 10. Marc-Antoine rings the bell for meal time. 11.

**Right:** Every day, after Mass, they follow the Priest to the sacristy to “help” him invest. But...



**Left:** And when it comes to eating pizza (left) ... they are the great experts. ☺ More

importantly, they are “the best” at Catechism.

7. Two very proud Moms.

# BAPTISMS

**The most joyful highlight of the Mission's calendar.**

Each Baptism feels (and it is) like a real victory. Every time I introduce a newly baptized to our Bishop, Mgr. Madega, he says: "You have saved him/her from the claws of satan."



Angelique Therese's baptism, before being sent to spend the summer with our *Sisters Adorers*. And then... the traditional dance with the Godmother.



## CATECHISM

This year, realizing I could not teach alone 140 children, three of the ladies of the **Group Our Lady of Fatima** assumed the classes for the little ones, divided in 3 classes. I take on three other classes: the teenagers, the *Panthers of Christ the King* and the adult class. We have therefore now, every Saturday, 6 catechism classes. And, at Mass, I preach every single day. Our people are simple, great hearts, but small attention span, so... a tea-spoon of Catholic Doctrine a day is the best formula.



But before... they were all submitted to a rigorous examination.



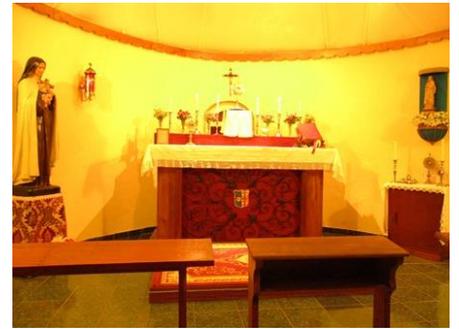
Then, for the closing of the Catechism Year, we had the “**Catechism Party**” where each child got as many chances of winning a prize as they had been to the Catechism classes. A big “**MERCI BEAUCOUP**” to our very kind French donors who send us several boxes of toys for this even.





## ADORATION

Yes, we mention it every Mission Report, but we will never give enough credit to our Sacramental Lord, for the blessing of His presence, which we have the privilege to adore every Thursday. And of course, on the eve of Ash Wednesday, the 40 Hour Adoration Devotion.



### INDEPENDENCE DAY (August 17)

This year, the Mission was invited, by the Governor, to be part of the *Independence Day Parade*.

Being a civic parade, we paraded not as a religious institution, but as *Mission Workshops: Bakery, Carpentry, Sewing and the soccer team: The Panthers of Christ the King*.

First the preparation of large colorful signs and banners for each group:



Then the instructions and rehearsal.



Then the Parade: The carpentry used blue aprons, the Sewing pink and the Bakery white.



Representatives of each Workshop offered 5 gifts to the Governor, City Mayor, etc.



The Mission Workshops and Soccer team were the most applauded groups of the Parade.



# Panthers of Christ the King

The Good Lord blessed us this year with a new Apostolate: The *Panthers*

of *Christ the King (PCK.)* They are 25 young men in the “Big Team” and 35 boys in the “Little League”. A total of 60 young men.

In Mission Report # 8 we reported the initial formation of this institution. Here is its development. Thank God, a very good Coach, and the enthusiasm of our PCK, we were able to close our first year without a single defeat. We won ALL the matches at the local, parish level. So, seeking bigger challenges, we signed up to play at a higher level: **THE PROVINCIAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE.**

**CONDITION FOR BELONGING TO THE PANTHERS OF CHRIST THE KING... come to CATECHISM EVERY SATURDAY**



The PCK practice three times a week.



OUTINGS



Often, during the rainy season, matches turn out to be real... water battles.



Yes, that was a goal!



In the closing of the first year, a little souvenir was given to each “Panther”. At Christmas, as a gift, they gave me “my jersey” with a touching card which wrote: “Who says that only the biological father can be called ‘father’? Thank you Father!”



Then they performed their... “warrior’s dance” which they do before every match. This new apostolate has also attracted a lot of attention upon the Mission.





# The "LITTLE LEAGUE"



The "Little League" corresponds, more or less, to our group of Altar Boys



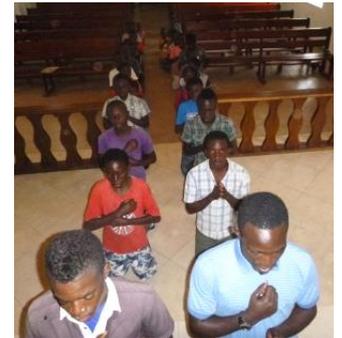
The warrior's dance before every match.

## ALTAR BOYS

Practice makes perfection! Weekly practices, Catechism and outings is part of their formation. After every practice... the reward? We always go out for... ice cream. 😊



Giving the Institute's Cross to 3 newly baptized.



Checking out their "new" serving black shoes

OUTINGS and games have helped to build a great brotherhood between our Altar-Boys.



And this is the logo they have chosen (made) for themselves:



## RETREAT

Last (on this page) but not least... **Our Yearly Priestly Retreat**

This time it was in the beautiful German countryside, at our Sister's convent of Engelport.

(Right: our last meal, after the Retreat, before we all went back to our assignments. Always a great moment.)





## ATTENTION !!!! Dear Doctors

We are building a place for you to come volunteer at the Mission. ☺ I mean it!!! This “little hospital” will have an apartment for our volunteer doctor, a medical office, a pharmacy, a patient’s room, and a waiting room. But... for it to look as nice as this one (right)... we need your help, please!



**Pictures:** Laying the foundations.

Unfortunately, we had to stop this project for the lack of funds. But recently, thank God, the “*Panthers of Christ the King*” picked it up as **volunteer work**. They are proud, and happy, of their team and wish to participate more of the Mission’s activities. But again... as of last week, we ran out of materials. Waiting for God’s providence.



## THE BRIDGE

Thinking of our growing youth groups, and activities for them (because out here there is no place to go other than the Mission), we thought of building a terrace on the shore of the river where we can organize fishing contests, barbecues, etc. for the children. Obviously, we will use it also for other Mission functions.

**PICTURES:** We waited for the “dry season”, when the water was low, to place advanced concrete pillars on the water. But first... a lot of thick brush to clear. Then we cut down a huge tree of “hard wood” for the posts of the bridge. Bringing those 550-pound pillars out of the jungle and down to the river... was some story!



And... this is where we are right now: at a HALT! No more wood! Again... waiting for God’s providence... in His own good timing.

# But the GREATEST NEWS is...

by God's good grace.... we are building a school!  
A REAL SCHOOL for about 500 children (...initially)



Monsignor WACH, our Prior General,  
has already given the school's name:

## Saint Francis de Sales School

As all of God's projects... it has nothing, materially, to start with. So... we are working on that right now. A few good and generous friends, around the world, are willing to help raise the funds for the building of the school. It's a good start.

For the time being what is **most heartening** - and I have told this to the faithful to encourage them in a virtue seldom practiced here: punctuality - is that Jesus was the first to arrive at the school. He is not "on time" but arrived before the opening of the school. A beautiful marble altar was donated to us from a church that was closed in France. It is all in 9 pallets already and waiting to be shipped here (we got to pay for the shipping first, of course.) Then another donor got for us a beautiful huge Crucifix, that is also going to the school. And lately someone gave the school a full set of *Stations of the Cross* for the school's chapel.



**So... Jesus is already here; all we have to do now is catch up. ☺**

The crucifix is ALL wood carved and stands 52 inches tall.

For history sake: In our latest *Presbyterian Council*, our Bishop, Msgr. Madega, asked me how was my school doing. I told him: "*Monsignor, we don't have a school, though... that is the dream of my life: to build a beautiful Catholic school*". Later on, in between meetings, he pulled me aside and asked: "*Canon, could you build a Catholic School? Our diocese is in dying need of good Catholic schools*". I ran to Mgr. Wach who immediately approved the project. We are now working on different plans to submit to him. (Our good friends from TP (Public Work) are coming with their tractors and levelers to clear and level the terrain.)

**BOTTOM RIGHT:** you have a **very rough drawing** of the Mission, soccer field and the school. It is only an initial sketch that, I am sure, will be suffering significant changes. On the left we see the Mission as it is, bridge, bell steeple, etc. To its right, on the flat surface, the soccer field for the "*Panthers of Christ the King*", with a central building for their lockers and gathering place, sided by bleachers and two dorms at the end for our **Youth Camps**. This will also be the sport field for the school. Above, on a higher level, the school, with the chapel in the center, sided by administration buildings, cafeteria, bathrooms, and a beautiful garden in the center followed by recreation grounds.





# Some pictures of our latest... **CHURCH PICNIC**



Hopefully, soon, all these children will all have a beautiful Catholic School to go to.



Church picnic is always preceded by Holy Mass. For some curious reason... the children like to be all together participating of the same game. We tried setting up different booths and separate activities but... it didn't work.

## **WILD LIFE: Fascinating but... dangerous.**



When strolling through the brush, you don't want to walk into a pack of buffaloes like these. They are mean and the biggest "man-killers" in Gabon.



Or this mother elephant (bottom right) who actually charged at us (see stretched ears!) Monkeys are not as cute as they look either. If you step into their territory... they will gang up on you. So, lately... serpents have come to seem quite harmless.



Weekly schedules, liturgical calendar and Mission events are published on bulletin boards.



# ODDS & ENDS from MISSION DAILY LIFE



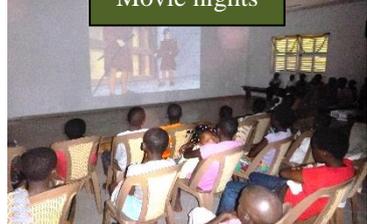
A beautiful wall oratory, with flower base, made at the carpentry shop for Our Blessed Mother



Christmas: while the boys prepare the Nativity, the girls do Christmas trees



Movie nights



Sewing workshop

Bakery: fresh bread and pastry every day

Feast Days: the children eat first, or else... ☺



Celebrating Fr. Jean's birthday (left), and Noeline's (right)



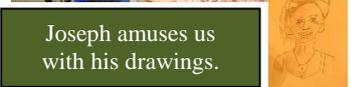
Every Sunday morning Noeline and the girls prepare a "gouter" for all the faithful

Colorful dresses of ladies from Rosa Mystica, for a Retreat at the Mission.

Joseph amuses us with his drawings.



Colorful dresses of ladies from Rosa Mystica, for a Retreat at the Mission.



Noeline's new "walk-in refrigerator"



Just a nice picture



Delicious antelope hunted right at the Mission ground. On the right, faithful offer gifts after Mass.

Choir practice every Saturday

## Then... a LOT of WORK!

As Monsignor likes to repeat: *“In our Institute priestly hands are made for chalices and calluses”*



This (right) is an amazing skill they have here: when cutting down trees, they free-handily cut the board to whatever thickness the customer asks for.



Mission's carpentry is full steam ahead producing doors, windows, beds, tables, chairs, benches, picture frames, door and window frames,

and (like in pictures above) coat stands, cribs, children school chairs. Besides providing a LOT of work for the Mission and teaching the boys this craft, the income from the carpentry pays the Mission's electrical bill.

## Letter of Canonical Erection

Some have manifested the concern about us loosing this Mission after so much being invested here. So, our Prior General sent me, to post on the wall (two frames on the second row) the letters of Bishop Obamba, erecting canonically our Mission. In laymen's language: we are here to stay!



## LAST (on this page) BUT NOT LEAST

Our ground keeper Charlin and his wife Raissa just had their 3<sup>rd</sup> child. **Just joking...** back in December, I told them the baby would be born on my birthday. Well... he did (scary!). They named him Henry. So now... I got to share my birthday will someone else. ☺ Kidding again.

## GABON'S BLESSINGS

When it comes to preparing the fields for the new crop, all it takes is... one match. During this period of the year, the skies are full of smoke and driving the roads... you go to be careful.



Why a “blessing”? Because, contrary to, for example our wild-fires in California, here the fire stops automatically right at the edge of the wood. The forests don’t burn. They don’t have the combustible sap that our forests have. Once the fire is out, it looks like this (right). And



somehow the burning is good for the new crop. At least that’s what the locals believe.

## LESS OF A BLESSING.... are our roads.



The trip to Libreville I do twice a month, a trip could last only 3 hours, it lasts 6 hours because of all the obstacles, the mud, the fallen trees and **thousands** of pot-holes. It is very dangerous. Hard to believe but... true: drunk-driving is the rule. I have never done this trip (Mouila-Libreville) without seeing at least one new accident. Obviously, every time I get on the road I think “will it be me today?” So... Saint Christopher, pray for us! Then you have situations like this one (picture on left): the electrical wires are so low that you have to have a someone help you by climbing on top of the truck to lift the wire so that the truck can pass.

But then another BLESSING: Beautiful sceneries



### OUR BEST HOSPITAL IN THE AREA

Our best medical chance, in the area, is the “American Hospital”, about two hours from Mission.

But then... (picture on right), all kind of sicknesses will



continue to exist as long as you have backyards like these (and they are all over) with piles of trash and stagnant water.

### MASS at the VILLAGES



We are often called – mostly on the occasion of a funeral – to celebrate Mass at the villages... under a tent. The altar-boys love it!

### VISITORS, VOLUNTEERS & PUBLIC RELATIONS (PR) ... find the pictures for yourself ☺

- Religious from different orders that come to visit
- With the Police Commissioner (who always has me bless lots of holy water for him)
- Visit from French families from Libreville
- Visiting with our fellow Priests of the Diocese
- The visit of our Confreres
- We were happily surprised by the visit of the American Ambassador
- Visit from TFP members collecting signatures, amongst African Bishops, in support of the family and traditional marriage.
- Visiting our neighbors and the poor (from our bakery we distributed over 180 fruit-cakes to all our friends in the region)
- Dinner, at the Mission’s terrace, with our Bishop and all the Priests of the Diocese.
- We are honored but frequent visits of our Governor
- Lunches for our political contacts
- Our young volunteers

- The Presbyteral Council (4-day meetings with the Bishop and all the Priests of the Diocese.
- Visits from different Youth Groups, etc. etc. etc.



## THE FORGE



Thanks to Joseph Becker, my 19-year-old nephew who is spending a year with me here at the Mission, we have now a forge at the Mission. Joseph started, at the age of 15 a successful knife-making business. Check out [www.beckerforge.com](http://www.beckerforge.com) He is finishing the Forge setup and soon will be teaching young men, at the Mission, the art of metal shaping. One more activity, that with God's grace will attract more good souls to the Mission.



## ARTEMISIA ANNUA a **MALARIA HEALING PLANT**

Having lost several faithful to malaria, and having almost died myself from it, we decided to research its healing and... long story short: we discovered *Artemisia Annu*a, a plant that successfully treats malaria in Kenya, Nigeria, Cote-d'Ivoire and other African countries. So I had the seeds sent to us from those countries and today the result is: **No more malaria at the Mission, thank God!** Planting and cultivating *Artemisia Annu*a is the job of the Group Our Lady of the Visitation (pictures). It is not an easy plant to cultivate. Very sensitive.



## CHRISTMAS DINNER

For the second year in a row our Governor honored us with his presence at the Mission's Christmas Dinner. It is a moment of great "Mission-family-time". Gifts? **Only** for the children (and adults) that come to Catechism. Our immense gratitude, once again, for the kindness of a Parish (in America) that sponsored all the gift for this occasion. God bless their good hearts!



# The Different Groups

- Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima (Lady's Group)
- St. Joseph's Companions (Men's Group – Retreat)
- Girl's group: "Valiant Souls"
- Boy's group: "Valiant Hearts"
- The Young Mother's group: Our Lady of the Visitation



**THE TRUTH...** ☹️ is that I didn't have the time to finish this letter. At least not the last three or four pages. I am in Libreville and if I don't get this letter out now... it will be another month. So... keeping it positive... think of it this way: we left it this way so that you can have fun trying to match the pictures to the captions. And... find typos too 😊 Enjoy it!



## CARE PACKAGES

Few believe it, but the truth is that *Care Packages* have been a VERY important part of this Mission's history. Being out here in the middle of the African jungle and receiving a package from someone that cares has an effect on the moral like words cannot describe. Not to mention that EVERYTHING they contain goes to very good use. I pray that God will one day reward these good and generous souls in a way proportional to the good that they do, though perhaps not fully knowing.



**WHAT TO SEND?** *I suggest that, at each time, you send me and email asking, because the needs change all the time.*

**There are a few things that you can ALWAYS send:**

- **Religious articles.** LOTS OF THEM. Mainly: Crucifixes and religious statues.
- 7-day **votive-candles** for the Sanctuary Lamp of two chapels. (For the Blessed Sacrament.) You can buy and send a full box of 24 (its easier), or you can send them in detail.
- Ink for our printer: **Inkjet** Canon 35 and Inkjet Canon 36. And Inkjet 440 & 441. We can always use those.
- **Clothes** for all ages. Just remember that here there is no winter. So: no winter clothes. (These clothes are not distributed indiscriminately, rather to the “*family of the Mission*” as to help them create a greater “*family bond*” with the Mission.)
- You can ALWAYS send one or two **soccer balls**. Here we can only get very cheap ones that don't last. This is important, of course, for the “*Panthers of Christ the King.*”
- **Toys** for the children. Ideally NOT very sophisticated ones or electronic.
- **Sheets and towels** for the use of our Guest House and the growing number of volunteers and visitors. (These, especially the towels, are great to use as packing pads. Once they get here, we wash them and put them to their proper use.)
- Then... just **anything your heart wishes** to offer the Mission... will go to good use, be assured. I am at times surprised to see how things I had never thought of, end up being so useful at the Mission.

**THINGS WE NEED RIGHT NOW**

- **Beautiful colorful images (prints) that we can use for our Catechism classes.**

**DO NOT SEND:** Printed materials (book, flyers) in any other language other than French.

We are so very thankful our French friends who so generously receive the Mission's packages for us at their Libreville address. May God reward them abundantly.

**Shipping Address?**  
Please contact me for the most current shipping instructions.  
[fragellihenri@hotmai.com](mailto:fragellihenri@hotmai.com)

The Mission **CANNOT EXIST** without your generous help, and right now... we are struggling greatly. **Please help us.**

**Yes, I wish to become a Monthly Donor of the Mission.** (The Mission can't exist and grow without donors that will generously commit on a regular basis so that the Mission's apostolate can have continuity. We are ALL called to be Missionaries. I know it is a sacrifice. I wouldn't be asking if I didn't know what sacrifice is. Please consider becoming:

<b>Dollar-a-Day</b> – St. Therese's little way: a little sacrifice each day.	\$30 / month
<b>Mission Supporter</b> – There is not glory without sacrifice.	\$100 / month
<b>Mission Builder</b> – We will only take to Heaven that which we give away.	\$250 / month
<b>Missionary from afar</b> – True giving is self-giving.	\$500 / month

I pray that God and Our Blessed Mother will reward your generosity. Hope to hear from you soon.

## YOUR BENEFITS?

Please join me in believing that our reward will be in Heaven and Heaven only. And I truly HOPE this is true. If it were not for this hope, believe me, I don't think I'd be here any longer.

And don't forget the: *"Whatever you do to the littlest of these... you do it to ME"*

### BUT...

You can also be assured of our prayers. Mission Donors, and their families, are remembered daily in the intention of Holy Mass at the Mission, in the intentions of weekly Adoration and daily Rosary.

On an earthlier concern... you will receive, for tax purposes, a yearly receipt for the total of the donations that you gave the Mission during that fiscal year.

That is: if you send your donation according to the following instructions:

### *HOW TO DONATE TO THE MISSION? It is safe and simple:*

#### Step 1

- a. Go to [www.institute-christ-king.org](http://www.institute-christ-king.org).
- b. Click on *Shrine of Christ the King*. (First on the list of Apostolates)
- c. Click on *Donate*. (Tab on a red colored row on the top of the page)
- d. Click on *African Missions*, (forth from the bottom up) and follow the prompts for donating. You can make a one-time donation or set up for a recurring donation. (Note that there is no "*Mouila Mission*". Reason for "Step 2")
- e. Do NOT try to "*Create a Profile*". It can mess up things.

#### Step 2

- a. Send an email to our secretary, Mrs. Mary Hall, at [info@institute-christ-king.org](mailto:info@institute-christ-king.org) to let her know that you wish your donation to be sent to the *Mission Saint Therese of the Infant Jesus*, in Mouila, Africa. Or if you wish, to make it clearer: "for Fr. Fragelli's Mission". \*
- b. IMPORTANT: Copy that email to me at [fragellihenrique@hotmail.com](mailto:fragellihenrique@hotmail.com) so that I can follow up on it every month.

\* You will get a yearly tax-deductible receipt for your donation.

\* If you wish you can contact Mrs. Mary Hall at: (773) 363-7409 ext. 3.

\* You can also send a donation to the Mission by sending a check to our headquarters in Chicago. Make sure you send it "*care of Mrs. Hall*" and that you indicate that your donation is for *Mission Saint Therese of the Infant Jesus*, in Mouila, Africa.

**Please consider joining me in this *Mission* through your generous monthly donation. Don't miss this chance of "being a Missionary" too.**

And please be assured of my prayers and immense gratitude. Being out here is quite a challenge. Having you "on board" means a lot to me. I remember all of the Mission donors and their families in the intentions of my daily Holy Mass.

May God bless you and Our Lady be always in your good hearts.

*Rev. Canon H. Fragelli*

PS. Please consider reaching out to the "*Poorest of the poor*". It will be your way of thanking God for all the blessings He sheds upon you every day. Thank you.