MISSIONARY ACTIVITIES

The Salesians were founded to help bring the Faith to all people, especially to those on the fringes of economic development through education, especially in trade and agricultural schools. The purpose of the society is the recruitment and preparation of vocations for the missions of the Congregation of the Mission of the Sacred Heart of Jesus as well as the needs of other people through lectures, mass media, direct mail and the magazine, Salesian. It also is the purpose of the society to educate the American public on the nature of education developed by the society. Founded in 1855 by St. John Bosco, as well as to spread knowledge of his life and accomplishments. Funds are raised for the support of religious, educational and technical assistance projects of the society.

Please refer to the Religious Institutes of Men section for activities and representation in the United States. Reprinted in over 130 countries throughout the world.

Publication: Salesian.


Mission work in the educational, catechetical and social services among Black and Native Americans in the U.S., Haiti and Jamaica.

Please refer to the Religious Institutes of Women section for activities and representation in the United States.

Publication: Mission.

Society of African Missions: SMA Fathers American Province: Tenafly, NJ 07670. Phone: 201-567-9085; Fax: 201-567-0450; Email: 600@aol.com; Website: www.sma.org. Sec. Gen., Director.

Of the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples, it has been promoting a universal missionary spirit and encouraging prayer and financial support for the local churches of the missions.

Each diocese in the United States has a director appointed by the Ordinary to promote the work of the Society through programs such as the Missionary Fund Day (the last Thursday in October) and Missionary Society news and periodic contact with parishes and diocesan organizations.

Offersings received by the Congregation for the Faith in the United States are remitted from all other countries and distributed annually to more than 1,150 mission dioceses and vicarates.


International Officers: His Eminence Fernando Filoni, Prefect of the Congregation for Evangelization of Peoples; Rev. Fernando Dominguez, S. D. N., Vatican City.

The Society of St. Peter Apostle, under the direction of the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples, is established for the support of seminarians and novices in the missions. The Society supports local religious communities and retards native clergy. Each diocese in the United States has a local director who is also the Director of the Propagation of the Faith.


International Officers: His Eminence Fernando Filoni, Prefect of the Congregation for Evangelization of Peoples; Rev. Fabrizio Meroni, P.I.M.E., Sec. Gen., Vatican City.

The Missionary Union, under the direction of the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples, is established to inspire, deepen and sustain a mission spirit among priests, deacons, religious, seminarians, candidates for the religious life and others in the pastoral ministry of the Church. The director in each diocese is also the Director of the Propagation of the Faith.


International Officers: His Eminence Fernando Filoni, Prefect of the Congregation for Evangelization of Peoples; Dr. J. Baptiste Balaburam, Sec. Gen.

The Missionary Childhood Association (MCA) is one of four Pontifical Mission Societies active in some 110 countries throughout the world. Founded in 1845 by Bishop Charles de Forbin-Janson, MCA helps to animate the young faithful to a universal missionary spirit and to channel this primary aim to children through the bonds of poverty and their full potential. Founded in 1861 by lay Catholics acting on the call of the Gospel, the Unbound community works with people of all ages.


ACTIVITIES:


Major missionary endeavors in the United States are in Selma, Alabama and surrounding areas.

Publications: Edmundian Missions.


Priests, Brothers & Deacons in Foreign Missions: 41 Mission activities outside the U.S. in Chile, Peru, Brazil, Bolivia, Argentina, Central America; Missions in La Tinta, Tacurum, Santiago, Puntarenas, Valdivia, LaOroya, Lima, Guatemalan City, La Labor, Bogota.


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Dedicated to healing: medical, catechetical and social apostolates in the home and foreign missions.


Secures missionaries and material aid to missions.

Active in the Archdioceses of Manaus and Sao Paulo; the Province of the Diocese of Bhagalpur, Bihar, India; and Diocese of Province of Saint Joseph, Republic of South Africa.

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Unbound serves the developing countries throughout the world. We partner with Catholic parishes to connect individual sponsors with children, youth and elders in need. Our one-to-one sponsorship program sends ongoing gifts by mail. We pray for the children and they pray for you. Catholic Faith gains their faith into action and walk in daily solidarity with the marginalized & vulnerable. By providing education, food, healthcare and livelihood programs, our sponsors help families break through the bonds of poverty and reach their full potential. Founded in 1861 by lay Catholics acting on the call of the Gospel, the Unbound community works with people of all ages.


Active in Brazil, Democratic Republic of Congo, Burundi, Chad, Cameroon, Bangladesh, Indonesia, Japan, Mexico, Sierra Leone, Colombia, Philippines, Mozambique, South Africa, Italy, Spain, U.K., Thailand and the United States of America.

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Publication: Xaverian Mission Newsletter.

MISSIONS (Pontifical Mission Societies)

A. The Society for the Propagation of the Faith (1822): Propagation of the Faith: 1900 F St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006. Phone: 212-563-7800; Fax: 212-563-8725; Email: contact@pfusa.org. Website: web.mission.org. Rev. Andrew Small, O.M.I., Nat. Dir. & Pres. International Officers: His Eminence Fernando Filoni, Prefect of the Congregation for Evangelization of Peoples; Rev. Nyczard Szmytky, O.M.I., Sec. Gen., Vice-Chancellor. The Propagation of the Faith, under the direction of the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples, is established in every country where the Church is free and sovereign; it has been promoting a universal missionary spirit and encouraging prayer and financial support for the local churches of the missions.

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Grantees include dioceses in the United States and its island territories. The CHM funds a wide range of mission and evangelization activities; examples include parish support, seminary formation, lay ministry training, religious education, and ministry