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Beloved Confreres,

Greetings of peace in the name of the Risen Lord. I have chosen this day to dispatch this circular with the specific reason that today is the death anniversary of Miss Angelina Lyaka. As I had shared with you some time ago in a personal email, Angelina known as the Maria Goretti of Tororo, Uganda gladly accepted Martyrdom in the year 1927, in order to preserve her chastity as the bride of Jesus. Her MEMORIAL is celebrated on May 6, 2012 in the parish of Agururu, in the Archdiocese of Tororo, Uganda. Her grave is in the vicinity of the parish church of Agururu. Devotion to Dada Angelina is becoming more popular as there are many blessings attributed to her intercession. Let us consider it as a privilege to serve this parish where her mortal remains are kept. Let us also pray through her intercession that we are also inspired and strengthened to live our life of holiness even if it demands great sacrifice from our part. Let us join in spirit the numerous devotees and faithful, the priests along with the Archbishop of Tororo who are celebrating the Holy Eucharist today in her honour at her tomb in Agururu.

Canonical Visitations: Implications of the sharing

All the canonical visitations could be carried out according to the schedule. The purpose of sharing on canonical visitation is to enable each one to know the situation of the missions and to keep our confreres and our apostolate in our prayers. Sometimes we are victims of the unhealthy tendency of insularity and parochialism limiting our world to just our own parish or community - or to the selected communities of our choice - without showing any genuine interest in the rest of the mission of the Province. Let us remind ourselves that all of us are part of the one and the same mission entrusted to our Province. Through various ministries we share in the same mission.

MSFS Scholasticate at Lumen Christi Institute Arusha, Tanzania

The canonical visitation to the MSFS Scholasticate at Lumen Christi Institute Arusha, was conducted as scheduled from February 14 to 17, 2012. In the second year of its existence with 19 professed MSFS scholastics, the community is making every effort to impart and imbibe the holistic formation. There are 12 Brothers in the second year and seven in the first year for the three year Degree Program in Philosophy. Five of them belong to the Southern African Region/ North East India Province, three for the Mozambique mission / Nagpur- India Province and 11 for the East Africa Province. The formation staff -headed by Fr. Thomas Kochalumchuvattil the Rector - includes six MSFS priests and one Scholastic who is doing the regency. The young Fransalians are making efforts to grow in maturity, imbibing the Fransalian family spirit.

Starting from the scratches two years ago, today LCI has an identity marked by its distinct formation system and Philosophy program aiming at the holistic formation relevant to our times and the context of Africa. The affiliation of the Degree Program to a recognized university is under process. The extra-curricular activities include: regular pastoral exposure and involvement of the staff and students in the neighboring parishes and institutions, annual event of *Olympics de Sales* (sports/games/cultural events fest) in connection with the feast of St. Francis de Sales; Life/carrier orientation seminars organized for the students at various levels; activities to promote the indigenous cultural values under the umbrella of Fransalian communications; direct or indirect supportive involvement of the members in the various programs organized at LCI.

Due to the various developmental works for the establishment of LCI, the staff is constantly overburdened. The visiting professors from Tanzania and abroad ease this burden to a great extent. Lack of own infrastructure such as chapel, refectory and well equipped library and computer lab etc pose big challenge for the efficient daily functioning of the formation house. The construction of the refectory and chapel are already initiated. The efforts made for the self-sufficiency by way of farming, bio gas plant, rain water harvesting etc are very much praise worthy. Still one of the biggest struggles is for good and sufficient water. In collaboration with the local civil authorities, LCI is working on a project to find a long-lasting solution to this problem by way of bringing a direct water connection from the mountain source around 9 km away from LCI. The project would cost almost 280 Million Tanzanian Shillings (180,000.00 US\$). We wish the fathers and brothers at LCI every blessing in their lives and mission entrusted to them.

St. Stephen the Martyr Parish Maji ya Chai, Arusha, Tanzania

On February 7, 2012 the parish of Maji ya Chai celebrated the second birthday. The visitation to the parish was conducted on February 18 and 19, 2012. The parish was created by bifurcating the out station of Maji ya Chai from the Usa River Parish entrusted to the Holy Ghost Fathers. As part of the visitation I had the meeting with the parish executive committee and the catechist together with the parish priest Fr. Nelson Vijayakumar. Administratively it has only 15 basic Christian communities and no substations. However the community is very vibrant and active. On Sundays, although there are two Masses (second one for children) the church is overfull and many have to stand outside. Lumen Christi Institute is situated in the parish territory and this easily facilitates the services of fathers and brothers in the parish.

The growth achieved in the past two years is very remarkable. The charismatic movement - well guided and totally submissive to the authorities - is very vibrant and is very much instrumental in bringing back many those who had gone away from the Catholic faith. The parish church has become too small now for the increasing number of faithful. There are no proper facilities for the administrative offices and presbytery. The parish has procured a small plot of land for the purpose of constructing a priest house and offices.

St. Francis de Sales Parish Ngurdoto, Arusha, Tanzania

St. Francis de Sales Parish Ngurdoto was established on February 14, 2010 and hitherto the latest parish entrusted to the MSFS in East Africa. The parish church is 8 km from the Lumen Christi Institute and shares its boundary with the parish of Maji ya Chai and Arusha National Park. The faithful had taken the initiative of constructing a spacious presbytery. The parish has 5 outstations -the farthest one being 40 km from the parish. Ngurdoto is also home for strong and well in catholic faith based charismatic movement. To its unique credit, it has a good and trained team of evangelizers who avail themselves for new and re-evangelization as well as fresh evangelization throughout the country. From the very beginning the community was initiated into special devotion to the Most Holy Eucharist. This gives unique strength to the community to stand firm amidst many challenges from the other denominations and unhealthy traditional practices.

The community is in possession of more than 10 acres of land. There is also a Dispensary owned by the Archdiocese and managed by the parish priest. The newly constructed building is expected be blessed shortly. The dispensary serves many surrounding villages. The parish is looking for the presence and services of women religious who can work in the dispensary and render pastoral services. There is no electricity in Ngurdoto. The parish needs a spacious new church, administrative offices and a hall.

MSFS Community at Ngurdoto has two members namely Fr. Nelson Vijayakumar and Bro. Aristedes Danda who is doing his regency. Fr. Nelson while residing in Ngurdoto serves as the parish priest of both the parishes of Ngurdoto and Maji ya Chai. Under the able leadership of Fr. Nelson and with the constant support from our confreres at LCI both parishes although very young are making good strides towards holistic development. Our special appreciation and thanks to Fr. Nelson for accepting the responsibility of being the parish priest of two parishes simultaneously.

St. Jude Catholic Parish Osia, Tororo, Uganda

The parish of Osia was established by Mill Hill Missionaries in the year 1972. Osia is one of the 42 parishes in the Archdiocese of Tororo and was entrusted to the MSFS in the year 2001. At present it has 10 out stations and 117 Basic Christian Communities. Apart from the pastoral works and normal administrative works there are also economic empowerment projects for the community. The establishment of the Salvation Hill and the Diving Mercy Shrine are major landmarks in the development of the parish. Both the HILL and the SHRINE are well accepted by the faithful and are a great means of evangelization and nurturing popular devotions.

Fr. Sebastian Nirappel serves as the parish priest of Osia since almost last 6 years. He is also the Dean of the Tororo Central Deanery in the Archdiocese. Along with the pastoral works he is doing his Masters in Developmental Studies at the Ugandan Martyr's' University Kampala.

One of the major contributions from our part is the new parish church being constructed. It is very spacy and elegant in design with solid structure. I was told by some of the faithful that it would be the biggest church in the entire Archdiocese. The consecration of the new church is scheduled for May 26, 2012. Fr. Sebastian Nirappel and faithful invite us heartily to share their joy on the auspicious occasion of the consecration of the new church.

St. Bruno Catholic Parish Agururu, Tororo, Uganda

Situated at the Western side of Tororo Agururu is a semi "city parish" in the suburbs of Tororo. Fr. Francis Kallikat serves there as the parish priest. The parish has no substations. The parish territory is dived into different zones for the administrative purposes. The Zones do not have any structures but the faithful come together in families for prayers and meetings. Over the years the number of faithful has increased considerably. Now in spite of the increased number of services, the present parish church has become too small for the increasing number of faithful for Sunday Mass. Hence the parish community has taken up the work of shifting the sacristy from inside the church to the rear side of the church with the opening from the sanctuary.

As part of helping the youth and adults who are interested an informal computer learning center is being planned in the parish. The recently set up water supply system in the parish premises is a big consolation for the public especially in the dry season. Fr. Francis also serves as the Spiritual Director to the *Legio Maria* Pious Association at the Archdiocesan level.

One of the main problems faced in the parish is the floating town population who generally want the services without the obligation of the juridical belongingness to the parish. As the neighboring parish also is in the city limits sometimes there are also boundary issues resulting in confusion for the people regarding their belongingness. Today as they celebrate the Memorial of Angelina Lyaka we wish Fr. Francis and all the faithful multitude of blessings.

My Easter in Uganda

During the Holy week from April 3 to 9 I could spend time in our mission in Uganda. Frist of all I had the opportunity to pay a visit to the Shrine of the UGANDAN MARTYRS in Namugongo, Kampala where I have prayed for each one of you. Along with the activities and meetings of visitations, it was for the first time I was spending the Holy Week in Uganda. It was a chance to experience the vibrancy of faith in our parishes. The Liturgical languages are Adhola, Ateso and English. Swahili hymns were sung occasionally. For the Holy Thursday and Easter Vigil I was in Agururu. On Good Friday and Easter Sunday I was in Osia. The Archbishop also availed himself on Easter Sunday to Osia. So three of us could offer Easter Sunday Masses two times each in different stations.

The unforgettable experience of the Holy Week was the *Way of the Cross* on Good Friday to the Salvation Hill. We could notice that from morning hours onwards faithful from various parishes, institutions, different pious associations were climbing the hill, praying the *way of the cross*. It was very touching to see many old

men and women – who I believe have difficulties in walking, even on the plain terrain - climbing the hill with great struggle characterized by deep determination supported with a sense of devotion and prayer. At some difficult points I could notice the wonderful way they support one another, or they are supported by those who pass by lest they lose balance and roll down. The entire scenario manifested very obviously a deep sense of the sacred. What a deep faith and commitment! The spirit of deep faith manifested by the UGANDAN MARTYRS is seen also in the life of the faithful.

MSFS Presence in Uganda

Although seem to be far and isolated, our missions in Uganda are very vital and lively. We have two parishes namely Osia and Agururu in the Archdiocese of Tororo. We have also two confreres namely Fr. Sebastian Nirappel and Fr. Francis Kallikat who serve in Osia and Agururu respectively. Both confreres form one community but for pastoral reasons they stay in their own parishes. Through regular meetings, prayers, sharing and common programs they try to foster the community life in the given situation.

It is true that from the part of the Congregation we have not taken any major steps for expansion or investment in Uganda. However, the confreres working in Uganda – both the present ones and those who were there - did not spare any effort to establish the Fransalian presence by way of deep commitment. This was very evident to me in the meetings that I had with the parish councils of both Osia and Agururu parishes. The lay leaders as well as the Archbishop of Tororo **His Grace Denis Lote Kiwanuka**, thanked the congregation for providing them with at least two priests. Along with the pastoral works, they have done also commendable job in promoting and nurturing vocations from Uganda. Adjacent to the parish church of Osia we have procured some land which could be used for establishing some educational institutions.

We have always room for further expansion and investment in Uganda. In the Archdiocese of Tororo itself there are parishes still vacant. We have also standing invitations from other dioceses too. We need to register ourselves as a registered civil society in Uganda. Our confreres are working on that matter. Let us pray earnestly that the Lord will show us the means and ways to consolidate and to expand our presence in Uganda.

On behalf of the entire province I express our thanks and congrats to all the confreres who served in Uganda and who are still serving there. Dear Confreres, I also encourage you to visit our missions in Uganda (for that matter Kenya also) and to make the holy pilgrimage to the Shrine of UGANDAN MARTYRS in Namugongo, Kampala.

Promotion to Priesthood

Deacon Innocent Ngowi MSFS is promoted to receive the Order of Priesthood. Right now he is completing his Theological Studies and initial formation at Jordan University College, and Fransalian Study House Morogoro. The ordination is scheduled to be on July 28, 2012 on the Feast of St. Alphonsa at Our Lady of Compassion Parish Mji Mpya Dar es Salaam. His Eminence Polycarp Cardinal Pengo has consented to confer the ordination. Let us continue to pray for Deacon Innocent and for all the deacons who are preparing for the priestly ordination in various parts of the world that they may be disposed fully in total humility, deep faith and genuine holiness. Our Sincere Congratulations and good wishes to Deacon Innocent.

First profession

Novice **Amal Paul Neerolickal** who is doing his Novitiate at Sneha Jyothi, Makiad India is promoted to make his first profession on May 31, 2012. We congratulate him and welcome him whole heartedly to the Fransalian family.

Novena to Holy Spirit

Let us revive the devotion of Novena prior to the great feast of Pentecost. I urge you my dear confreres to pray the novena in the communities and where are working in parishes with the faithful. Novenas are not outdated traditions. Such are powerful means to keep our faith fervent and attractive. Let us pray for each

one of us that we may be fully disposed for the showering of the blessings of the spirit making us powerful instruments of ministry in the church. This year the Novena begins on May 18.

On Jubilee celebrations of MSFS / Province

The Provincial Council meeting held on April 19 and 20, 2012 discussed at length the suggestions given by the Jubilee committee and the confreres individually. The outcome of the discussions and further proceedings will be communicated to you in another writing as soon as possible.

Forum meetings

Forum meetings will be held as follows: Venue Provincial House

Superiors' Forum Meeting: June 24, 2012 from 08.30 hrs. to 12.30 hrs.

Pastoral Forum Meeting: June 24, 2012 from 15.00 hrs. to 19.00 hrs.

As you notice the time allotted is very limited and I request you to come well prepared for the meeting. If you have particular agenda to be discussed, please send to the convener in advance.

Regional Education Forum Meeting in India

There was the Fransalian Regional Education Forum Meeting and Seminar at Charis Bhavan Athirampuzha, India from May 2 to 4. At the request of the Provincial Administration, Fr. Sebastian Palakudy participated in the meeting representing the East African Province. I thank Fr. Sebastian for availing himself for the same.

On Regency period this year

Although the normally stipulated duration of regency would be complete in most of the cases by June, the regents would continue to serve in their respective communities until the end of September unless in particular cases specified otherwise. Meanwhile depending on the situation of the community and with the due permission from the superiors they can go for the annual holidays any time from July.

Province Vicar

I would like to inform you that unless specified otherwise, hereafter whenever I am absent from East Africa, Fr. Sunny Mattathil will be the Province Vicar according to the provisions in our constitutions. I sincerely thank Fr. Sunny for accepting this additional and standing task. His contacts: +255 784 549 592; Email: mattathilsunny@yahoo.com

Visit of Bursar General to East Africa Province: New Schedule

Rev. Fr. Augustine Mangatt the Bursar General will be visiting the Province from May 27 to June 17, 2012. We promise our prayers and wish him every blessing in the preparations of this trip and in the event of his official visit. We extend to him a very warm welcome. The details of the program will be made known later.

Visit from Provincial of Nagpur Province: New Schedule

According to the new schedule Rev. Fr. Jacob Karamakuzhyil MSFS the Provincial Superior of the Nagpur India Province will be visiting East Africa from May 11 to 18, 2012. He will be visiting mainly the formation houses and our missions in Dar es Salaam, Morogoro, Arusha, Machakose and Meru. We promise our prayers and extend to him a very warm welcome for his maiden visit to this part of the world and wish him many enriching encounters and experiences in East Africa.

Ongoing formation / Update Programs

Fr. Joseph Poikunnel is doing his Advance studies in Computer Applications from April 13 to May 14 at Ernakulum, India.

Fr. Johnson Pathiyil and **Fr. Reji Pendanath** will be attending renewal program and course for the Formators / Rectors in Rome from June 18 to August 16, 2012

Fr. Chinnappan Arockiasamy is attending a course on Psycho Spiritual Integration from April 22 to May 26, 2012 at Dhyana Sadana Bogadi Mysore, India.

Fr. Sebastian Palakudy will be attending a course on Clinical Pastoral Psychology in Hyderabad June 14 to July 14, 2012 and thereafter he will do an Ignatian retreat for one month in Mangalore, India.

Visit from Fr. Packiam Wilson

Fr. Packiam Wilson now working in Germany, will be coming for holidays to East Africa from July 3 to July 28. He will be landing in Entebbe, Uganda and returning from Dar es Salaam. We extend a hearty welcome to him and wish him a pleasant time of visits and holidays.

Home holidays

Fr Zacharia Burrofero was at home for his annual holidays from April 10 to 22, 2012. As his mother is not keeping well, let us keep them in our prayers.

Let us pray for:

Mr Bernard Kanoki (35) the elder brother of our novice Gregory Mua Mutisia, died in a Road accident on April 9, 2012

Mr. Mathai Pallichankudy (80) the father of Fr. Mathew Pallichankudy MSFS (from Southern African Region Now at LCI), died on April 22, 2012.

Let us pray for the departed and for the bereaved family members very specially for Novice Gregory and Fr. Mathew Pallichankudy.

Apostolic Community office bearers

With effect from April 10, 2012 **Fr. Lourance Thadathil is the Animator** and **Fr. Jomet Kollapallil is the secretary** of the Uganda Kenya Apostolic community. We congratulate them and wish them every blessing in this new tasks entrusted to them.

Appointment

Fr. Sebastian Palakudy has completed the nine months course at SIDDHIVIHARA National centre for human wholeness FOR HUMAN WHOLENESS, in Mysore, India successfully. He has joined the SFS Bhavan Community at Angamaly since April 1, 2012. He is designated for Masters in Theology of Marriage and Family at Pontifical John Paul II Institute at Changanassery, India.

Acting Rector, Fransalian Study House Kola

From June 18 to August 16, 2012 during the long absence of Fr. Reji Pendanath from Kola, Fr. Sheejan Kallarackal will be the Acting Rector at Fransalian Study House Kola, Morogoro.

Land procured in Bukene

I am very happy to inform you that we have procured 22 acres of land in Bukene in view of starting a secondary school. The plot is adjacent to our present land at the side of the Hostel. As the government is initiating the town planning shortly we hope to get the land officially measured in June and we can then do the further process to obtain the title deed. Our sincere thanks and appreciation to the confreres who are there and who were there in Bukene who initiated the process.

Our visitors

The family of **Brian and Karen Prunty** together with their daughter **Mary from USA** visited some of our missions from April 1, to 11, 2012. As you know they are very much engaged in **Living Waters International** Organization in order to support the cause of evangelization in many parts of the world. I had the opportunity to meet them only for a short while due to other schedule. As they left they left the following note for us:

.... We would like to thank you for the hospitality of the East African Province.. We had been heartily welcomed and enjoyed our time here. We are encouraged by the progress your community has done. They have great faith and hope for what needs to be done yet. The vision is ambitious. The church is alive and growing. This is very inspiring to us. We will share our experience of the East African Catholic community with the American Catholic community to foster an understanding of our brothers and sisters of the Church. God bless you and the East African province !

In the name of all the conferrers I thank our friends **Brian, Karen and Mary** for their genuine interest in our mission and for taking time to visit us in spite of all the inconveniences. May God bless your life and works.

New Provincials / new term of office

Our beloved Superior General has made following appointments:

Fr Simon Paicatt is appointed Provincial of Visakhapatnam Province for the second term of 3 years beginning from 15th August 2012

Fr Gilberto Bugnon is appointed Provincial of Brazil Province for the second term of 3 years beginning from 15th September 2012

We the members of Fransalian Family of East Africa wish them every blessing they are in need of to carry out the ministry of leadership.

News from SUVIDYA COLLEGE Bangalore

Rev. Fr. George Panthanmackel

Superior General Very Rev. Fr. Agnelo Fernandes has appointed Rev. Fr. George Panthanmackel as the President of the Institute of Suvidya College and also as the Rector of Suvidya for the first term of three years with the effect from 24th April 2012. On behalf of the Province of East Africa I extend Hearty Congratulations to Fr. George and we promise our prayerful support in this new mission.

Fr. Jolly Chakkalalal

We thank Fr. Jolly Chakkalalal who served the Suvidya as the President and Rector for the past 6 years, and now will be taking up the responsibility as Dean of Studies of the institute. We wish them Hearty Congratulations and wish them all the best in their new assignments.

Fr. Emmanuel Uppanthadathil

We also thank Fr. Emmanuel Uppanthadathil for the services he had rendered to the Congregation as Dean of Studies of Suvidya. We also place on record his initiatives to bring out the Philosophical Journal SUVIDYA.

RSAT Meeting 2012

The annual RSAT (Religious Superiors' Association Tanzania) meeting will be held on June 21 and 22 in Dar es Salaam. If you have any matter to be discussed, you may give me in writing latest by May 31, 2012.

MSAF Meeting and Visit to the West Central African Mission

In order to participate in the MSAF (Mission Superiors' Africa Forum) annual meeting and to visit the missions in Chad and Cameroon I was away from East Africa from April 25 to May 5. The ninth MSAF annual meeting was held at the MSFS Scholasticate *La Feuillette*, Ngoaya, Yaonde, Cameroon. The participants of the meeting were: Fr. Joseph Kunjapampil the Regional Superior of Southern African Region; Fr. Paul Gonsalves the Mission Superior of Mozambique; Fr. Joshy Nellimalamattam the Mission Superior of West Central African Mission and Fr. Johnson Kallidukil, the Provincial Superior of East Africa Province.

The meeting analysed our present status in the continent of Africa especially in our common venture of formation, further establishment of LCI, further areas of collaboration, Mission expansion etc. It was a very happy thing to note that today 96 MSFS Priests and 51 MSFS Scholastics – making it a total of 147 confreres either belonging to or are working / studying in the different mission units in Africa. Besides, African missions have at present 9 novices and ten pre-novices. We are now present in 8 countries and in 19 Catholic Dioceses in the continent of Africa. We have many reasons to thank God for this great stride over the span of last 25 years as a Congregation.

Although these numbers seem to bring glad tidings, when looking from the present mission demands on the Apostolate, African missions are undermanned very much. Lack of personnel was the main theme emerged from the sharing from every mission unit. Inadequate finances were also the great concern for most of the missions. In spite of all odds and challenges, let us thank our good Lord for the many graces up on our mission in Africa.

MSFS in Cameroon and Chad

The missions in Cameroon and Chad – vibrant with faith - are characterized by many unique challenges and uncertainties. Lack of personnel is the most crucial aspect. The efforts made by the confreres to learn French is very commendable. In order for the more effective apostolate, learning of the local language is a must especially in Chad. The distances between many communities too are enormous. The extreme heat of Chad is unavoidable especially during March to June. In Chad where our missionaries are working – Doba is very poor and extremely dry area. The mission has made focussed efforts in promoting quality vocations. We have the first priest from Cameroon in the person of Fr. Emile Amougou Amougou. On May 3, I had the opportunity to confer the ministry of Acolyte on Scholastics Christophe Bertrand and Innocent Parfait.

May I express **our sincere thanks** to all the confreres in this mission under the leadership of **Fr. Joshy Nellimalamattam** for hosting the MSAF meeting and for all the organizational works. Our thanks to Fr. Manoj Arackal the Rector of the Scholasticate and to Fr. Kujur Kuldip and the scholastics and the aspirants for their warm hospitality and assistance to us during those days. Special thanks to Fr. Manoj Arackal for accompanying us during our trip other missions especially to Chad. Even in the face of challenges, we see here integrated communities of confreres whose commitments for the people knows no limits. My message for them at this juncture would be *“Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.”* (Rom.12:12).

Angelina Lyake – Martyr as Bride of Christ

As I have mentioned at the very introduction of this circular, let us grow more and more in true holiness motivated by the love of Jesus. As consecrated persons, let also inspire and assist others to do so.

For further enquiries about **Angelina Lyake** and for sending prayer intentions, thanksgiving etc please write to the parish priest: Fr. Francis Kallikat MSFS Agururu Parish Box 489 Tororo, Uganda. Email. fkallikatt@yahoo.com

My Programs

May

- 10 - 12 Canonical visitation to SFS Junior Seminary, Morogoro
- 14 - 18 Canonical visitation to Fransalian House Kola Morogoro
- 19 Renewal of vows Scholastics in Fransalian Study House Kola
- 23 Meeting with the Staff at LCI
- 26 Blessing of the new Parish Church in Osia, Uganda

June

1 – 3 Bukene Mission Decennial Jubilee celebrations

18 – 23 Annual retreat I Morogoro

21 – 22 RSAT Meeting Dar es Salaam

24 Forum Meetings Morogoro

25 – 30 Annual retreat II LCI Arusha

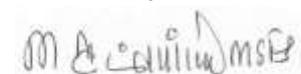
Beloved confreres,

As I thank you and as we thank one another for sharing in the mission of our Province, let us earnestly pray for the grace to be more and more committed to a life of holiness. In St. Francis de Sales we have the perfect example of holiness, gentleness and concern for the other – which should be the characteristic of our dealings with one another and with the people whom we serve and with whom we work. This quality of life is possible only when we are united with our Lord Jesus who allows us to share in his priesthood, and whose life and attitude we profess to imitate intensively in consecrated life.

Let us continue to live as people of the Risen Lord, having victory over evil and full of life – giving ourselves totally to the other in whatever apostolate we are engaged in.

Requesting your prayers

United with you in the Eucharistic Lord,



Fr. Johnson Kallidukil msfs

(Provincial Superior MSFS East Africa Province)

***May the spoken words of my mouth,
the thoughts of my heart,
win favour in your sight, O Lord,
my rescuer, my rock!***

Ps. 19: 15