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Beloved Confreres,

Greetings of peace and joy in the name of the Lord!

Jubilee - Jubilee - Jubilee!

Very glad to greet you in this circular wishing each of you the unique grace of being in this MSFS Multiple Jubilee Year and in the Year of Faith. It is 150 years since our holy founder Servant of God Fr. Peter Mary Mermier was called to eternal glory. This day falls in the year when as global Fransalian family is celebrating 175 years of its foundation as well as the 25 years of its presence in the continent of Africa.

These occasions tell us vividly how far we have travelled on the way discerned and initiated by our holy founder. The key phrase, "I want mission" was the sole desire of our Founder and that desire summed up his passion for Christ who is the first missionary leader in every mission. That clarion call was the expression of his missionary zeal, a continuation of the living of the spirituality of St. Francis de Sales in the crucible of priestly and missionary apostolate.

Hence there is a great responsibility resting up on us to preserve, to live and give further to a new generation the legacy we have inherited. As individuals we need to disseminate this legacy to our fellow beings and as a congregation we have to hand over this legacy to the coming generations of the Fransalians. For us MSFS this is the time to deepen our renewal and rootedness in the Founder and widen our horizons of our *missionary being* and availability especially in Africa.

Therefore a phrase, like "I want mission" was the manifesto of the life of commitment by our Founder. It is encumbered with implications for our lives and ministry. Its face value defies the density of thought it embodies. It startles us with the three fold demands of our MSFS identity: to live in a religious community, to be Salesian to the core and to be generously available for the missions.

Year of Faith

As we might remember, with his Apostolic Letter of October 11, 2011, *Porta Fidei*, (door of faith) Pope Benedict XVI had declared that a "Year of Faith" would begin on October 11, 2012 and conclude on November 24, 2013. October 11, 2012, the first day of the Year of Faith, is the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council. (Vatican II) and also the twentieth anniversary of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. During the Year of Faith, we are asked to study and reflect on the documents of Vatican II and the catechism so that we may deepen our knowledge of the faith.

This Year of Faith is a "summons to an authentic and renewed conversion to the Lord, the One Saviour of the world" (*Porta Fidei* 6). In other words, the Year of Faith is an opportunity for us to experience a conversion – to turn back to Jesus and enter into a deeper relationship with him. The "door of faith" is opened at one's baptism, but during this year we are called to open it again, walk through it and rediscover and renew their relationship with Christ and his Church.

As the universal Church is in the year of faith, it is a clarion call to every one of us to believe firmly in God who is love and to commit ourselves in love. Is not a special grace of God that we celebrate our jubilees during this year of Faith? For us the Missionaries of St. Francis De Sales, it is a beautiful gift of

God through the instrumentality of Mother Church. Our religious family was founded primarily for the proclamation, renewal and substance of faith. Our being a Missionary of St. Francis de Sales, is also for the same purpose.

Jubilee Year opened

At the province level the multiple Jubilee Year was opened on September 14, 2012 at the Salvation Hill, Lububu, Tabora, Tanzania.

It was a very heartfelt moment when on the said day, **Fr. Thomas Kochuparampil MSFS** one of the pioneers and the first Provincial Superior of MSFS East Africa Province, opened jubilee year with the following words in Swahili:

Kwa idhini niliyopewa na uongozi wa Shirika la Wamissionari wa Mt. Fransisko wa Sales na kuwataka ninyi nyote neema na baraka kwa wanashirika wote kwa ujumla hususani wanashirika wa Provinsi ya Afrika Mashariki, kwa furaha tele moyoni mwangu nafungua rasmi mwaka wa jubilei ya miaka 175 tangu kuanzishwa kwa Shirika na miaka 25 ya uwepo wa Shirika katika bara la Afrika.

Translated into English as below:

With the task entrusted to me by the authorities of the Congregation of the Missionaries of St. Francis de Sales, and wishing graces and blessings to you all and the entire MSFS Congregation, especially to the members in the Province of East Africa, with great joy in my heart, I declare open the Jubilee year of 175 years of the foundation of the Congregation and 25 years of the MSFS presence in the continent of Africa.

After this Fr. Thomas unveiled the banner that read the motto jubilee:

We have done all things in Him who gives us strength. (cfr. Phil.4:13).

The multitude of faithful gathered on the Salvation Hill for the Holy Pilgrimage, repeated this motto and acclaimed this declaration with great euphoria.

Prior to that on the same day morning the Jubilee cross was blessed in Lububu Parish church and from there it was carried by the confreres walking with the pilgrims marching towards the Salvation Hill. The Mass was officiated by Rev. Fr. Faustin Rwechungura, the Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Tabora. Fr. Mathew Chavely briefed the history of MSFS.

Message from the Superior General

On the occasion of jubilee our beloved Superior General Fr. Agnelo Fernandes has given us a very thought provoking and apt message. This message was sent you on September 14. Please continue to read and meditate on this message during the jubilee year.

Jubilee cross

The Jubilee Cross was designed by the committee headed by Fr. Nelson and was prepared at LCI Arusha by the carpenter Mr Santhosh Ngowi. Mr Ngowi has sponsored the work of the cross as an offering to God. Please remember him and his family in our prayers.

The Cross would be with the apostolic communities / areas in the following manner:

Sept 2012 to Jan 2013	TAKA Apostolic Community
February 2013	Uganda
March – April	Kenya
May	Arusha
June – July	Dar es Salaam
August – September	Morogoro

The Apostolic communities concerned can make the necessary arrangements for the transferring of the cross from one area / apostolic community to another. The dates can be flexible according to your conveniences.

Special Jubilee Prayers

The committee lead by Fr. Antonysamy Sebastian has prepared the prayers in English and in Swahili. In the jubilee year we have the special prayer of thanksgiving: *Magnificat* of Fransalians to be prayed every day in our communities. The card must have reached you. Also we have the prayers to be recited by the faithful in our parishes. The card is ready and would reach you shortly.

General Chapter - 2013

As the 19th General Chapter of our Congregation is a few months away we need to intensify our preparations for the same especially by way of praying for the chapter. Although the capitulants are the direct participants of the chapter, all the members are very much part of the chapter. In the context of the evaluation of the preparation of the GC, Fr. Agnelo Fernandes our beloved Superior General has addressed the entire congregation through his circular- sgmsfs-2af-21.

The General Chapter will take place from February 1, 2013 to February 15, 2013 at Nirmala Dyana Sadan, Athavelly, Medchal 501401, Rangareddy District, Andhra Pradesh, India. There will be also Jubilee Pilgrimage by the capitulants of the 19th General Chapter from Hyderabad to Visakhapatnam and Yanam on 16th and 17th February 2012. Yanam is the hallowed ground where our first missionaries set foot on January 16, 1846 on the mission entrusted to the MSFS in India.

Canonical visitation to Dumila Mission

I had the joy of conducting the canonical visitation to St. Francis de Sales Parish Dumila on September 1 and 2, 2012. Situated 70 kms from Morogoro on the highway to Dodoma, Dumila is a very fast developing area. Around 13 years ago when our confreres started giving the service in the village of Dumila, the church was a small shed and there was nothing much to be seen as a Catholic presence for the area had predominantly other denominations.

Today the scenario is entirely different. Catholic presence is very much seen, in the vibrant community of believers. The parish has nine out stations – the farthest one being 45 kms from the centre – with a total of 60 basic Christian communities. Dumila has now one of the best and spacious churches in the whole of Morogoro diocese. There is the presbytery and offices and basic facilities. The presence of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Annecy with their modern health services adds strength to the Catholic presence. One of the very tangible and much needed services that the parish does is making edible water available to the public.

Challenges include: Faith being challenged by traditional religious practices that are contrary to Gospel values; still growing presence of other denominations; changing demographical scenario due to the fast trade boom; presence of social evils as in a fast growing society; floating catholic population due to business movements.

Another challenge from our side consists in not being able to give enough personnel for the works in Dumila. At present we have only one priest in the person Fr. Tomy Kattikanayil. He needs assistance if not on ordinary days, at least on Sundays so that we can do justice to the faithful. We have also obtained 11 acres of land for the purpose of establishing a primary school. The registration of the land is in progress.

My sincere thanks and appreciation to Fr. Tomy and all the confreres who have rendered their services in Dumila in various capacities. Let us pray that through the intercession of St. Francis de Sales we may be able to share the Good News of Jesus to many more persons in Dumila and around.

Priestly Ordination: Fr. Innocent Vincent Ngowi MSFS

On July 28, 2012 on the Feast of St. Alphonsa, at Our Lady of Compassion Parish Mji Mpya Dar es Salaam, Fr. Innocent Vincent Ngowi was ordained priest by His Eminence Polycarp Cardinal Pengo the Archbishop of Dar es Salaam. Fr. Innocent is the second MSFS priest from Tanzania.

Fr. Innocent Vincent Ngowi was born on November 29, 1976 at Rombo, Kilimanjaro Region, Tanzania. His parents are Mr Vincent John and Mrs Petronila. He received baptism on 08.02.1977 at Rombo parish. Later he received First Communion on 01.10.1990 and confirmation on 27.07.1991 at Kilombero Parish. He did his Lower primary School at Rombo. Upper Primary school he did in Kilombero. He did his O' level studies at Moshi and A' level at Sengerema.

In year 2002, he joined Lububu Aspirant House for his initial formation. He did his canonical noviciate at Fransalianum. Kibaha. He made the first profession on July 16, 2004. After that, he joined Fransalian House at Kola for formation, and did three years of Philosophy at JUCO (Jordan University College) (2004-2007) and obtained a Degree in Philosophy. He did his Regency at St. Francis De Sales Children's Home Ipuli Tabora (2007-2008). He joined Fransalian House and started his theological studies at JUCO, Morogoro. He made his final commitment in the congregation on August 28, 2010. He was ordained deacon on October 1, 2011 by his Lordship Telesphor Mkude Bishop of Morogoro.

On behalf of all of us, my heartfelt appreciation and very sincere wishes for Fr. Innocent Ngowi for being blessed by God to handle the sacred mysteries. We also thank the MSFS Community Mji Mpya Relini, the Holy Spirit Sisters as well as the parishioners of Mji Mpya Relini – for the wonderful and dedicated organisation of the event. We also thank all those where instrumental in making Fr. Innocent as he is today: his parents, dear and near ones, all the teachers and formators, the benefactors and all those who supported him in one way or another. May he be able to thank them through fruitful ministry as a holy priest.

Final Profession and Diaconate: Antonysamy Robert MSFS

The Scholastic Antonysamy Robert MSFS made his final profession on September 21, 2012 at Fransalian House, Kola Morogoro. On the following day along with his companions at the University College he was ordained Deacon by His Lordship Most Rev. Telesphor Mkude, the Bishop of Morogoro. We thank God for the beautiful gift of the person and call of Deacon Robert. My sincere appreciation and thanks to the Rector and all the scholastics at Kola for organizing well the celebrations marked by Salesian simplicity in a very homily and cordial atmosphere. We wish Deacon Robert every blessing he stands in need of for the days to come.

New Presbytery Mji Mpya Parish

The newly constructed presbytery at the Our Lady of Compassion Parish Mji Mpya Relini was opened and blessed by His Eminence Polycarp Cardinal Pengo the Archbishop of Dar es Salaam in the presence large number of priests, religious and lay people. The blessing took place on July 28, 2012 immediately after the Holy Mass during which Fr. Innocent was ordained priest. Our sincere appreciation for Fr. Sunny Mattathil the parish priest, Fr. Stephen Gerald MSFS the then assistant parish priest, Holy Spirit Sisters and the parishioners for their strenuous efforts in making this beautiful and specious house a reality. We also thank all the people of good will and all the donor agencies that extended their generous hands. Ever since the beginning of our mission in Mji Mpya our confreres were staying in a rented house with very minimum facilities. We also thank His Eminence Polycarp Cardinal Pengo and all the Archdiocesan authorities for their constant support and encouragement.

Baraka News bulletin

The first issue of *Baraka za Fransalians* (Blessing of / up on Fransalians) was released on July 28, 2012 by his Eminence Polycarp Cardinal Pengo at Mji Mpya Relini Dar es Salaam. Hearty congratulations to Fr. Stephen Gerald and team for the great work done. Baraka is a means to share the news and views of the missionary activities of the Fransalians in East Africa. It is half yearly and the next issue is expected

to be released by the middle of January 2013. You are welcome to share the news and views that might be of benefit to others.

Forum Meetings

Hereby I would like to remind you about the dates for the following forum meetings 2012.

- Formation forum meeting –November 22 (All in formation and vocation Promotion)
- Innovative Ministries forum meeting–November 23 (all engaged in ministries other than pastoral, formation, educational)
- Stewardship Forum Meeting –December13 (All those who deal with the financial matters in community/ institutions)

There could be slight changes in the list of members in each forum due to the changes / transfers that have taken place. Kindly consult with the councilor in-charge / Bursar in case of any doubt. The venue of the meeting will be Provincial House, Morogoro. The meetings begin at 09.00 hrs. If you have some specific agenda to be taken up kindly send the matter to the councillor in-charge / Bursar. I request your availability for the meeting wish you every blessing in the preparations for these meetings.

Congratulations: Fr. Sunny Vettickal

I am very glad to inform you that Fr. Sunny Vettickal has successfully completed his **Masters in Business Administration with specialization in Corporate Management (MBA - CM)** from Mzumbe University, Tanzania. The research was on *“The impact of Information and Communication Technology in the Secondary School Education.”* He obtained **B+** for the course and **A** for the dissertation. Hearty Congratulations to Fr. Sunny for this remarkable achievement especially for having undertaken this study along with his responsibilities in the ministry.

Gratitude: Ancillae Secular Institute

After six year of dedicated service at Bukene Mission the Sisters of *Ancillae* Secular Institute from India are returning as the contract is ending in December. Two of them were rendering their service at SFS School and Hostel and one of them at the Social Service Centre and VCT (voluntary counselling and testing HIV/AIDS). We thank them very sincerely for their presence and service for the development of the Mission in Bukene. On behalf of MSFS and on behalf of myriad of needy people assisted by the sisters, I express deep sentiments of gratitude to Miss. Theresa Marottikuzhy, Miss Pauline Joseph and Miss. Lillikutty Jacob and those who were there earlier. I also thank Miss. Annie Poriyath the Regional Directress for the good collaboration. Thank you dear Sisters and May God bless you in your further mission wherever you are.

International Conference on Philosophy

Fr. Thomas Kochalumchuvattil participated in the Conference on *Philosophy and Religion in Africa* held in Cape Town from November 8 and 9, 2012. This was conducted by University of Western Cape and the Council for Research in Values and Philosophy Washington. Fr. Thomas also presented a paper 'Concept of Person in African Philosophy'. The proceedings will be published later by the Council of Research in Values and Philosophy. Hearty Congratulations to Fr. Thomas Kochalumchuvattil!

Fransalian Communications: Renewal Program

On November 3, 2012 Fransalian Communications Kola, Morogoro organized one day renewal program for the University students of SUA and Mazimbu campus, Morogoro. The program consisted of input sessions, counselling, sacrament of reconciliation, and Eucharistic celebration. Fr. Johnson Pathiyil MSFS the resource person gave enriching sessions of the Theme of the day was THE HEART OF GRATITUDE AND PENANCE . More than 200 students made use of this opportunity for their personal and communitarian faith renewal. Hearty Congratulations to our young Fransalians in Kola!

Booklet on Servant of God Fr. Peter Mary Mermier

There is a booklet on Fr. Peter Mermier, compiled by Fr Noel Rebello. It is a very good hand book on the life and spirituality of our holy founder. We should take special interest to make our founder known by means of this booklet. With sentiments of gratitude I appreciate Fr Noel for the trouble taken to prepare this booklet. May God bless all your efforts dear Fr. Noel.

New Administrative team: Visakhapatnam Province

The 6th Ordinary Provincial Congress of the Visakhapatnam Province was held from October 2 to 5, 2012 at Stella Maris, the Provincial House, and Visakhapatnam. The theme was: "FRANSALIAN VOCATION Availability to Community on Mission". The new provincial administration consists of:

Fr. Simon Paicatt : Provincial Superior
Fr. K. Dhaman Kumar : Councillor in-charge of Mission Forum
Fr. P. J. Mathew : Councillor in-charge of Education Forum
Fr. C. Jolly : Councillor in-charge of Formation Forum
Fr. M. Anand Prasad : Councillor in-charge of Innovative and social Forum
Fr. M. Bhaskar : Bursar in-charge of Stewardship Forum

We wish Fr Simon Paicatt and the new team all the blessings of the Almighty in their ministry of leadership.

Fr. Zachariah Burrofero: New Address

After having completed the basics of the Italian language Fr. Zachariah is into his studies. He now resides in hostel for the student priests: Congratulations and best wishes! His Address:

Institute Degli Oblati di Maria vergine,
Comunita religiosa S.Elena, Via Casilina , 205
00176 ROME Italy Tel: +393317698108.

Meeting: PIF, PEA and GA

PIF & PEA - The Provincials of India Forum and the Provincial of East Africa had the annual meeting with the General Administration in Pune from October 22 to 25, to discuss various issues of inter-provincial character. The meeting was held at Jesuit Provincial House in Pune City. It was good occasion to share and study matters on our missions, LCI and MSAF, and new openings in Africa.

Study visit to Zambia

From November 28 to December 7, 2012, I will be accompanying Fr. Vincent Lourduswamy the Provincial of Pune Province for a study visit to some of the dioceses in Zambia in order to explore the possibility of expanding the MSFS missionary presence where needed. I request your special prayers in this endeavour.

Bon voyage Fr. Thomas Olickal

After having fulfilled all the formalities Fr. Thomas Olickal has obtained the visa for the pastoral ministry in USA. He will be leaving for USA on November 29. It was very kind of him to accept joyfully the assignments given to him at Katani and Ndagani during the period of waiting for the visa. We thank him for accepting this task and wish him all the graces for a fruitful ministry in USA.

Word of Thanks: Fr. Augustine Tharappel

On behalf of the Province of East Africa, I also take this opportunity to express our deep sentiments of thanks to Fr. Augustine Tharappel the Regional Superior of USA Region for his keen interest for us and for the great investment of his precious and time energy in order to facilitate the process of obtaining the visa. May God reward you richly.

Southern African Region: Regional Assembly and new Team

The fourth Regional Assembly of the Missionaries of St. Francis de Sales, Southern African Region with the theme, "Fransalians in Southern Africa: A Mystical and Prophetic Response to *Africae Munus*" was held from September 3 to 6, 2012. Together with other matters, Fr. Baiju Mundackal and Fr. Lukose Perumannikkala were elected councillors and Fr. Saju Thalayinakandathil as the bursar.

We wish **Fr. Babychan Arackathara MSFS the new Regional Superior** and his new team the showers of blessings in this ministry of leadership in the Southern African Region.

Word of Thanks: Fr. Joseph KP

On behalf of the Province of East Africa and on behalf of MSAF I would like to express sincere sentiments of gratitude to Fr. Joseph KP the outgoing Regional Superior of Southern African Region. We wish him the blessings of God for further fruitful ministry in Africa.

New Bursar: Suvidya College

According to the decision of the Governing Body of Suvidya, Fr. Maria Selvan from South East Province would be the Bursar of Suvidya with effect from November 19, 2012. Congratulations and best wishes to Fr. Maria Selvan.

Word of Thanks: Fr. Mendem Bhaskar

On behalf of MSFS East Africa Province I thank Fr. Mendem Bhaskar the present Bursar of Suvidya for his kind and dedicated service and the whole hearted cooperation in the past. We wish him all the blessing in his new assignment as the Provincial Bursar.

Website: East Africa

I am very glad to inform you that we have a new website: www.msfs-eastafrika.com prepared and sponsored by a group of students from Handel's Commerce Academy of Oberwart, Austria as part of the project of their final year studies. They had the project titled: "Tansania - Gemeinsam Strak" (Tanzania - together we are strong) The project had two parts: (1) they organised a Concert in the Friedberg parish and sold African handicrafts to support SFS school at Bukene. (2) they made the website for the Province of East Africa. The names of the students are: Julia Reithmeier, Sabrina Hofer, Viktoria Fasching, Seida Memic and Kathrin Putz. The project was guided by Prof. Jutta Schneller and Prof. Brigitte Lukits-Weinhofer. Our sincere thanks to Prof. Jutta Schneller and Prof. Brigitte Lukits-Weinhofer and their young budding IT experts and wish them all the blessings of God. We thank them and extend to you all warm welcome to Tanzania. *Asanteni! Karibuni!*

SFS Junior Seminary: Graduation

On September 29, 2012 there was great jubilation on the occasion of the graduation of the 16th batch of Form IV students in SFS Junior Seminary Morogoro. The seminary along with the parents and friends of the graduates honoured 53 young boys who successfully completed their O Level Secondary School education. Fr. Michael Kalathipullat SDB presided over the Eucharist. The chief guest was Mr Donald W. Pambe the Morogoro Rural District Education Officer. Hearty congratulations to the graduates, to our confreres, to the staff everyone involved in this success.

Our prayers requested: Called to eternal glory

- **Fr. Nicolet Henri Bernard MSFS**, 93 years, of Brazil Province, died on July 17, 2012
- **Fr. Chappuis Joseph Victor MSFS** (93) belonging to Brazil Province, passed away on July 30, 2012.
- **Fr. Lindsay Francis Hendricks MSFS**, (60) of Brazil Province expired on August 29, 2012. He served the province in various capacities, especially as the Provincial for 4 terms.
- **Fr. Valerian Gomes MSFS** of Nagpur Province, died at the age of 55 on September 8, 2012.

- **Fr. Shijo Paul MSFS**, aged 29, of North East Province, passed away on September 26, 2012.
- **Fr. Devasia Kalapurackal** aged 62, of South West Province, died on October 18, 2012.
- **Mrs Sammanusu Mary**, aged 70, the paternal grandmother of Deacon Antonysamy Robert passed away on September 20, 2012.
- **Mrs Pennamma** aged 79, the maternal aunty of Fr. Johnson Pathiyil, passed away on September 23, 2012.
- **Mr Michael Kallidukil** aged 72 the father of Fr. Johnson Kallidukil and the maternal uncle of Fr. Reji Pendanath passed away on October 15, 2012.
- **Mr Mathew Vellapilly** aged 78, the maternal grandfather of Bro. Amal Neerolickal passed away on November 12, 2012.

May the souls of faithful departed through the mercy God REST IN PEACE!

May I request all those who have not received the earlier information sent, and not fulfilled the suffrages, to fulfil the suffrages prescribed. (Const. No 118; General Directory No. 98)

Our prayers requested for the sick and suffering

- **Fr. Devasia Kuzhupil msfs**, is going through a tough time due to many ailments. Let us assure him of our prayerful support.
- **Fr. Joseph Kunnappilly** is undergoing treatment in India. He had the massage for the hands and his eyes were operated. He needs the kidneys to be treated.

We wish them the healing and consoling touch of the Lord.

Fortunes in misfortunes

We must gratefully acknowledge the great protection given to us by the Almighty even in the midst of accidents and unfortunate events. The recent events of the fall of Fr. David Soosai from a height of almost 15 meters and the major car accident when Fr. Rajesh Antony, Fr. Joby MCBS and three of the volunteers were travelling, tell us very vividly that the loving and caring and protecting presence of God with us. The incidents in themselves were so abysmal that naturally they would imply the worst tragic effects imaginable – death or permanent paralysis or handicap. Yet our confreres and all involved are very safe. Through a life of grace let us thank God for all the graces given to us.

A special word of thanks to Fr. Sebastian Williams and all the confreres in TAKA apostolic community for the timely action and assistances offered in resolving the crisis situations. Also my sincere thanks to Fr. Antonysamy Sebastian the Director of Novices and all the novices for taking care of Fr. David as he was staying in the novitiate for recuperation.

Personal note of thanks

Before I conclude this circular, may I place this personal note of thanks to each one of you. It is exactly one month since Mr Michael Kallidukil, my father bid adieu to this world being called to the eternal glory. The time I could spend with him during his last days was a unique time of grace for me. Although, humanly speaking painful, the entire time and all the events gave me deep spiritual joy and peace. I thank you very personally for the great support given to me and to the family by way of your prayers and presence and wishes. May God bless you. May the saints intercede for us.

Conclusion: Live beautifully!

Beloved Confreres, Time moves! Seconds turn be minutes and minutes become hours; hours turn to be days; days become weeks and weeks to months and then years! A day is nothing but a few hours put together. A year too is so. A few days put together we have a year. Hence when we waste one second, that part of the year is wasted. Every second counts. God wants us *to be; to think; and to do* something every moment in accordance with his holy will. What am I to be? What am I to do in this jubilee year?

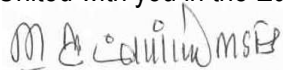
Every moment is to be a moment of jubilation. Our *magnificat* should be manifested in our life of total consecration; deep sense of spirituality; selfless commitment; simplicity and joy. Let us live every moment beautifully so that our jubilee year and our entire life will turn to be beautiful.

Soon we enter into the **Season of Advent**. It reminds us of those moments lived beautifully by the Holy Family. It is the same beauty of Advent transmitted to the active ministry of Jesus, and later to the life of faith in the church to this day. Thus a single beautiful moment that I live today can have positive consequences even beyond my comprehension. Live this very moment and the moments that follow to be moments of beauty and grace! Thus we can give beauty to the life of others and the life of the generations to come.

Beloved confreres, I wish you a very grace-filled time in the days to come. In this jubilee year in a very special way let us entrust every one of us to the loving and caring hands of our loving Father and Blessed Mother. May our beloved Patron St. Francis de Sale intercede for us. May our holy founder Servant of God Fr. Peter Mermier through his unceasing intercessions strengthen our missionary and prophetic presence in Africa and wherever we are.

Requesting your prayers

United with you in the Eucharistic Lord,



Fr. Johnson Kallidukil msfs (Provincial Superior MSFS East Africa Province)

My Program

November 2012

- 15 Spiritual Conference Fransalian House Kola, Morogoro
- 16 Travel to Tabora, Ipuli
- 17 Itaga
- 18 Lububu
- 19 Bukene
- 20 Isaka Mwakata
- 21 Back to Morogoro
- 22 Formation Forum Meeting: Evening: Conferring of Ministries Fransalian House Kola
- 23 Innovative ministry Forum Meeting
- 28 Nov.28 to Dec. 7. Study visit to Zambia with Fr. Vincent Lourduswamy MSFS

December 2012

- 8 - 10 Kenya
- 11 Back to Morogoro
- 13 Stewardship Forum Meeting
- 15 To Arusha LCI
- 16 Ngurdoto: Opening of the Mission of Assisi Sisters of Mary Immaculate, Ngurdoto Dispensary
- 17 Spiritual Conference LCI Scholasticate
- 18 Back to Morogoro
- 19 – 20 Council meeting Morogoro.
- 20 Evening: St. Ann's Regional Assembly Morogoro Concluding Mass
- 25 Christmas in Dumila
- 30 Thanksgiving Eucharistic celebration in Morogoro: MSFS completing exactly 25 years in Africa
- 31 Seminar on Biblical Spirituality Kola: Concluding Mass

January 2013 in Europe (visit: confreres, mission friends, organizations, Salesan 20th General Body Meeting)

February 2013 in India (General Chapter and visits)

A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me. Ps. 51:12