

Harvesters of Jesus



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The Association of the Harvesters of Jesus was established in order to provide the regular daily spiritual needs of the Little Eden Society. It is firmly believed that without such support, Little Eden would wither.

A well known television presenter for a gospel programme had to do an insert on discipleship, and selected the nuns at St Mary's convent in Boksburg for an interview.

In answer to her question on how the nuns fulfill God's demand to "make followers of all people in the world" when they are living in the convent, one of the nuns said: "In God's Kingdom we all have our own special place and gift. The nuns here pray. We pray for those who are able to do missionary work, for those that endure hardships, for those who suffer and for those who are tired. We are intercessors for those who are too weak to do it themselves..."

Have you ever faced difficult circumstances or a big crisis in your life and just when you felt like you were about to give up, renewed strength seemed to come from somewhere? You can know for sure that someone, somewhere, was praying for you.

I am always delighted to watch the children of LITTLE EDEN pray so sincerely in Church; or when Daniella or Matthew tells me that they have been praying for me. If they know you are sick, they don't forget. Weeks later, they come and remind you that they prayed that you would get better.

Because of their innocence and unconditional trust, they listen better and hear God's voice much clearer than anyone else. Because of *their* prayers, LITTLE EDEN continues. Because of *your* prayers, LITTLE EDEN continues. *That* is why we pray.

St Paul wrote in his letter to the Corinthians: "And you can help us with your prayers. Then many people will give thanks for us – that God blessed us because of their many prayers."

Think about the power that your prayers may have in the life of someone who needs it. Continue to pray for all who are committed to the work of the Society and expect God's blessings!

Hanneli Esterhuysen

Daily prayer for the needs of LITTLE EDEN

Jesus Great Harvester who desires the salvation of all mankind, accept the offering of my life and work in assisting You to help garner the fields for the harvest. Teach me compassion, understanding and love for those most in need. Bless our Association; strengthen the bonds of love and charity amongst us, so that with hearts united we may say "Thy kingdom come". Mary, comfort of the afflicted, pray for us.