

The Vicar General publishes a letter on www.paravosnaci.com about “The Way of Perfection”



Communications

Rome-Italy (14-10-2010).- In a letter published today on the web page

www.paravosnaci.com, the Vicar General of the Discalced Carmelites, Fr

Emilio J. Martínez, states that “Teresa proposes to us a way of authenticity, liberation and commitment, that draws us closer and closer to the original source of the life.”

In his lively letter on the web site for the preparation of the V Centenary of the birth of Saint Teresa, Fr Emilio presents to the readers “The Way of Perfection”, the second of the Teresian books to accompany the Order during this time of preparation.

The Vicar General points out that the Way of Perfection, often called “St Teresa’s Gospel”, contains the Teresian idea of prayer as the “strength of the whole reform, since it brings about an integral reform of all believers” and since it is a “corner stone of a community living in the service of all people”.

The author hopes that “This year we will receive the grace to embark on a journey that will teach us to be what the Lord wants us to be.” He adds that he is sure that “actively drawing close to the Way of Perfection, both individually and in community, will place the response in our hearts and in our hands.”

Guides for the reading of the “Way of Perfection”

As happened previously for the reading of the “Book of her Life”, the Commission for the Preparation of the Centenary has published two guides for reading the Way of Perfection: one doctrinal and the other pastoral.

These reading guides are directed to all the communities of friars, nuns and lay Carmelites of the wider Carmelite family. Together with the work sheets that will periodically be published on the web page www.paravosnaci.com they will be a map for reading this Teresian work during the period 2010-2011.

Each letter an intuition

Since Christmas 2009, when the web page www.paravosnaci.com began, until today there have been a total of 42 “weekly letters” which are slowly being translated into the seven languages offered on the site. Friars, nuns and lay Carmelites, university professors, priests and cardinals, superiors and Major Superiors of Orders and Congregations of the Carmelite family have shared, from their various latitudes of the planet, their experience of meeting with Saint Teresa of Jesus in her Life.

Each letter presented an intuition and a vision of Teresa from various levels: personal, life experience, academic, artistic or spiritual. Besides giving a living testimony to the universality of the Teresian message, they are of assistance in preparing to celebrate the Centenary.

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