



Essential Evangelization

Evangelization - The First Small Christian Communities

The Apostle Paul left a legacy for all generations the marvellous history of our Church in his letters, or Epistles. As people were evangelized, Paul would guide them into the formation of communities where the newly baptized could help one another and pray for one another. These became the first small Christian communities. Paul would set then set out for the next town. At times he would stop to work as a tent maker, his way of earning his livelihood.

Paul never asked anything for himself. Any donations gathered would be sent to those in need or to the poorer communities. Maligned, mistreated, beaten, judged and jailed, Paul relentlessly preached the Good News of Jesus Christ. As an apostle, he worked confidently for God's glory despite the actions of his enemies.

"Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of his body, which is the church...It is He whom we proclaim, admonishing everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone perfect in Christ. For this I labor and struggle..."

Colossians 1: 24-29

What have we done to Evangelize?

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