



ASSOCIATION OF SALESIAN COOPERATORS WORLD COORDINATOR



THE EASTER OF THE THREE "WORDS"

Dear,

I reach you with this message of greetings for the Easter of Resurrection of this year 2024 and I give you three food for thought with three words as a commitment for these days.

The first words are: **PEACE** .

We all feel a need for peace, we have the desire to be able to live our daily lives with greater serenity.

The news that comes to us from the world where there are wars, suffering, even where the Salesian Cooperators are present, generate suffering in us, but when Jesus meets the Apostles in Galilee he shows his hands and feet with nail holes and a wounded side .

Jesus does not erase the signs of Calvary but makes them a reason for Glory because he entrusted himself to the Love of the Father.

This is the peace that Jesus offers us.

A peace that allows us to go through suffering, daily difficulties, misunderstandings in the hope of resurrection.

The second word I give you is: **PRAYER** .

It is necessary for there to be an intimate relationship with God, because only thanks to this intimacy does He make himself present to give us Peace.

God the Father knows what we need, but he wants us to share our whole selves with Him.

Ours must be a constant prayer, a prayer of thanksgiving, a prayer of joy, a prayer of intercession, to relate our life to that of Jesus.

We create moments of silence to allow him to speak and us to listen.

The third word is: **PATIENCE** .

We are often caught up in urgencies, in a hurry, in the frenzy of doing things, of getting results as soon as possible.

God's logic is different, God's timing is different.

Our constancy, our testimony, our prayer made with patience without being discouraged allow God to act, but according to the times that He wants, we are left with the trust and hope that he only wants the good of each one.

May these three words accompany us on this Easter day.

I hope for each of you that these will be days of serenity, of joy together with your loved ones.

A hug to all the Salesian Cooperators and to the entire Salesian Family with whom we share the presence in our realities.

Please, let's say it to everyone: "The Lord is Risen. He is truly Risen"

Happy Easter.

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