



ASSOCIAZIONE DEI SALESIANI COOPERATORI COORDINATORE MONDIALE



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Dear Salesian Cooperators,

on the liturgical feast of Mary Help of Christians, I would like to share with you a thought that comes from the heart of every aspect of our daily commitment. This year, with a spirit of hope and trust, we are embarking on the Jubilee Year 2025, a special occasion that invites us to reflect on our mission and our journey together as lay people in the Church and in the Salesian Family.

Our Rector Major encourages us to look to the future with renewed trust, continuing our educational work with passion, as always, but with a hope that must never wane. Hope is the light that guides us, especially in the most difficult moments. In these turbulent times, where peace seems increasingly distant, we are called to be concrete witnesses of this hope, every day, in both the small and large choices we make.

Pope Leo XIV, in his recent speeches, has reminded us of the importance of being instruments of peace, not standing still but working in communion with courage to promote unity among people, to bring hope where it seems absent. His voice is an invitation to not remain indifferent, to do more, to respond with love and commitment.

This year also marks the third year of preparation for the 150th anniversary of our Association, and the verb that motivates us is "to relaunch." To relaunch means not only to give new momentum to our journey but also to courageously face the challenges of our times, without fear, knowing that our mission continues to be essential for the world. It is an invitation to renew our commitment and passion for the Salesian mission, to face every difficulty with trust and determination. And above all, never to forget that Mary, our Mother, is always with us, ready to support us and never let us lack her help. With her support, we can face every obstacle and continue to be witnesses of hope to those who need us.

Throughout this journey, Mary Help of Christians, our Mother and Guide, is always at our side. Don Bosco, with limitless trust in her, always believed that our mission would never have been possible without the powerful action of Mary. It is to her that we entrust our work, with the certainty that she guides and supports us, as she has always done with each of us.

Therefore, I invite you to live this feast of Mary Help of Christians with hearts full of hope and joy. Let us reflect together on our role in the Church and in the world, with the awareness that we are called to be bearers of hope, peace, and renewal, always in communion with the Salesian charism that unites us.

I embrace you with affection, convinced that together we can do great things for the good of many, bringing hope and light to places where it is most needed.

Il Coordinatore Mondiale
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