## PRAYER INTENTIONS OF THE COMBONI FAMILY 2021

**January** – That our faith in Christ may move us all to be united in alleviating the hardship caused by the pandemic, especially among the poorest. *Lord hear us.* 

**February** – That by our gestures of love and forgiveness we may succeed in bringing everyone to encounter Christ. *Lord hear us.* 

**March** – That the ministry of the Comboni Family may strengthen "gender justice", and especially the protection of women and girls. *Lord hear us.* 

**April** – That the Secular Comboni Missionaries may always live in the paschal dynamic of death and resurrection in the certainty that the Spirit will continue to guide them on their journey. *Lord hear us.* 

**May** – That, like Our Lady, "health of the sick", the nations may join forces to respond to the worldwide humanitarian crisis, helping to restore health care, security and education to those impoverished by conflicts and disasters. *Lord hear us.* 

**June** – That the Holy Spirit may help us to discern the will of God for our pastoral ministry and to be always witness of cooperation and communion. *Lord hear us.*  **July** – That closeness and a culture of encounter in daily life may restore hope and a feeling of life to those who are sad and closed in on themselves. *Lord hear us.* 

**August** – That in all people the sentiments of fraternity and of belonging to the same human family may be strengthened so that we may build up together the values of justice and peace. *Lord hear us.* 

**September** – That the celebration of the XIX General Chapter of the Comboni Missionaries may light up their way in humble service to the mission of the Church. *Lord hear us.* 

**October** – Together with all the missionaries of the world we thank the Lord for the opportunities he gives us of serving the neediest and we pray that we may always be able to do it with love. *Lord hear us.* 

**November** – That God may welcome into his peace all who have died due to the pandemic and console their relatives and all who mourn them. *Lord hear us.* 

**December** – That Our Lord Jesus Christ may grant to all missionaries whom he has called to follow him, fidelity and constancy in the mission entrusted to them. *Lord hear us.* 

### **MISSIONARY INTENTIONS 2021**

**January** – May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all. *Lord hear us.* 

**February** – For women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded. *Lord hear us.* 

**March** – That we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God. *Lord hear us.* 

**April** – For those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis. *Lord hear us.* 

**May** – That those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers. *Lord hear us.* 

**June** – For young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience. *Lord hear us.* 

**July** – That, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship. *Lord hear us.* 

**August** – For the Church, that She may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel. *Lord hear us.* 

**September** – That we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this. *Lord hear us.* 

**October** – That every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel. *Lord hear us.* 

**November** – That people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life. *Lord hear us.* 

**December** – For the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit. *Lord hear us.* 

### **Prayer for the Missions and Vocations**

O Father, you who want all peoples to be saved, awaken in every believer a strong missionary desire to witness and announce Christ to all those who do not yet know him.

Through the intercession of Saint Daniel Comboni, strengthen all missionaries in their work of evangelization and raise up new vocations for the missions.

O Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Apostles, you presented the incarnate Word to all peoples. Guide all men and women to the One who is the light that enlightens every person and transform us into his generous co-workers.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Prayer of the Comboni Family

O Father, who through Saint Daniel Comboni have shown us a marvellous example of love for you and the peoples of Africa, grant that through his intercession we too may be transformed by the love which flows from the Pierced Heart of the Good Shepherd.

Grant that, by imitating his holiness and his missionary zeal, we may consecrate ourselves entirely, as a community of apostles, to the regeneration of our poorest and most abandoned brothers and sisters, to the praise of your glory.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.





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