

INTRODUCTION

We have deepened in the past week the missionary intentionality of Verbum Dei. All of our missionary work and our daily struggle to be faithful are in order to propagate the Kingdom of God through forming apostles of Christ.

Since the task and the field of the mission is huge, we need to help promote one another not just to be assistants or helpers in the mission but as disciples who bring the presence of Christ in the world of today. Pray to the owner of the harvest that he will send out workers to gather in his harvest.

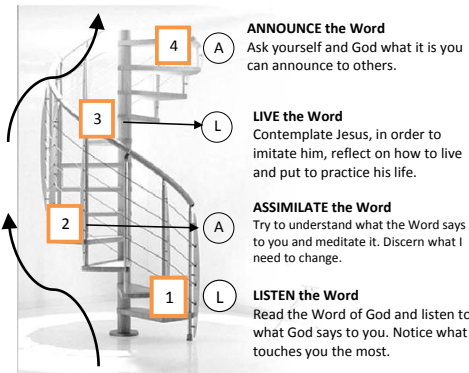
This week, we are invited to learn how to pass on to reliable people all what we have received from Jesus. **2 Timothy 2:1-2** *As for you, my dear son, take strength from the grace which is in Christ Jesus.* ² *Pass on to reliable people what you have heard from me through many witnesses so that they in turn will be able to teach others.* We are invited to form and enable apostles who in turn can form other apostles. This is what we call forming 'relevos' or relays. Persons who can pass on all what the Lord has done.

PRAYING WITH THE WORD

- "For ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ." **St. Jerome**
- And let them remember that prayer should accompany the reading of Sacred Scripture, so that God and man may talk together; for "we speak to Him when we pray; we hear Him when we read the divine saying."

St. Ambrose
(Dei Verbum #25 Vatican II document)

DYNAMISM OF THE WORD



MONDAY

Pass on my instruction

1 Timothy 4:10-16 ¹⁰ I mean that the point of all our toiling and battling is that we have put our trust in the living God and he is the Saviour of the whole human race but particularly of all believers. ¹¹ This is what you are to instruct and teach. ¹² Let no one disregard you because you are young, but be an

example to all the believers in the way you speak and behave, and in your love, your faith and your purity. ¹³ Until I arrive, devote yourself to reading to the people, encouraging and teaching. ¹⁴ You have in you a spiritual gift which was given to you when the prophets spoke and the body of elders laid their hands on you; do not neglect it. ¹⁵ Let this be your care and your occupation, and everyone will be able to see your progress. ¹⁶ Be conscientious about what you do and what you teach; persevere in this, and in this way you will save both yourself and those who listen to you.

1 Timothy 6:17-19 ¹⁷ Instruct those who are rich in this world's goods that they should not be proud and should set their hopes not on money, which is untrustworthy, but on God who gives us richly all that we need for our happiness. ¹⁸ They are to do good and be rich in good works, generous in giving and always ready to share- ¹⁹ this is the way they can amass a good capital sum for the future if they want to possess the only life that is real.



TUESDAY

Pass on the service of the Word of God

Acts 6:1-4 About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. ² So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them, 'It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; ³ you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom, to whom we can hand over this duty. ⁴ We ourselves will continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.'

WEDNESDAY

Pass on the work of mercy and compassion

Titus 1:8-9 ⁸ but hospitable and a lover of goodness; sensible, upright, devout and self-controlled; ⁹ and he must have a firm grasp of the unchanging message of the tradition, so that he can be counted on both for giving encouragement in sound doctrine and for refuting those who argue against it.

1 Timothy 6:11-12 ¹¹ But, as someone dedicated to God, avoid all that. You must aim to be upright and religious, filled with faith and love, perseverance and gentleness. ¹² Fight the good fight of faith and

win the eternal life to which you were called and for which you made your noble profession of faith before many witnesses.

THURSDAY

Pass on the love you have received

John 13:34-35 ³⁴ I give you a new commandment: love one another; you must love one another just as I have loved you. ³⁵ It is by your love for one another, that everyone will recognise you as my disciples.

John 21:15-17 ¹⁵ When they had eaten, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?' He answered, 'Yes, Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' ¹⁶ A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He replied, 'Yes, Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Look after my sheep.' ¹⁷ Then he said to him a third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter was hurt that he asked him a third time, 'Do you love me?' and said, 'Lord, you know everything; you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.'

FRIDAY

Pass on the power of the Holy Spirit

Acts 1:7-8 ⁷ He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, ⁸ but you will receive the power of the Holy Spirit which will come on you, and then you will be

my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to earth's remotest end.'

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SATURDAY

Pass on my trust

Luke 10:35 ³⁵ Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper and said, "Look after him, and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have."

John 19:25-27 ²⁵ Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary of Magdala. ²⁶ Seeing his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing near her, Jesus said to his mother, 'Woman, this is your son.' ²⁷ Then to the disciple he said, 'This is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his home.

SUNDAY

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 90:12-17

2nd Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13

Gospel: Mark 10:17-30



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GUIDELINES FOR PRAYER

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October 5-11, 2015

General Theme: "Hacer-hacer in the mind of Jaime Bonet"

General Objective: To develop the disciples' missionary potential. Verbum Dei mission entails assimilation of missionary intentionality.



Objective of the week:

To promote disciples by forming 'relevos' = relay.