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Looking for new mission projects

Contacts with CEVAA and The Mission Society

We inform you that from the CEC-Masvidal we are working hard to start a missionary project on the ground for the coming summer, starting relations with various entities worldwide dedicated to the missions, as we had advanced in the last newsletter in September-October.

Among these entities we can name the CEVAA (*Communauté Évangélique d'Action Apostolique*), dedicated especially to missionary tasks in Francophone Africa, as well as to The Mission Society, with various projects around the world, especially in The Anglophone Africa.

New appearance of the newsletter and new translations:

We inaugurate a new aesthetic presentation of the newsletter, that we hope you will like it.

We have also started the versions in French and English that are added to the Catalan and the Spanish ones.

Fifth centenary of the Reformation

We reproduce the article sent by the Argentine Methodist bishop to the affiliated communities of this country, for its outstanding interest in the 500th anniversary of the Reformation.

The Grace and Peace of Our Lord Jesus Christ are with us all in this time of commemoration of the Protestant Reformation [...]. The Evangelical Methodist Church recognizes itself heir and identified with the evangelical reform. This invites us to reaffirm our

Protestant principles that are part of our identity.

1. The Supremacy of Jesus Christ: whom we recognize as our Lord and Savior. The sovereignty of God over our life and everything created.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



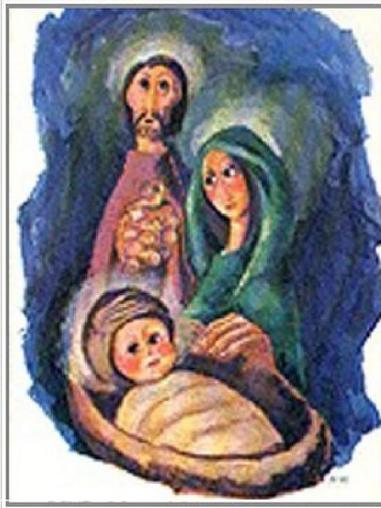
Christmas gives us the key to decipher some of the deep mysteries of our existence.

Men wondered themselves so worried about the why of pain and the humiliation, why the felt and suffered smallness, what sense has the suffering of the last people of the earth.

Men were asking God. And God was remaining in silence. Men were looking for arguments to exempt God from the disorders of history. But no answer could silence the questions that were born from the roots of the sore heart.

Now, at Christmas, God speaks. And men keep in silence. He does not ask any more. He simply listens to the account of the event of divine and human sweetness: God was born small; God became history; God is named "manger".

**Excerpted from the book
'Encarnação: A humanidade e a jovialidade de nosso Deus'
de Leonardo Boff.**



(Bookcover of Leonardo Boff)

2. Salvation by Grace and Faith: the security of forgiveness is not achieved by human effort, but by personal faith in the mercy of God revealed in Jesus.

3. The authority of the Bible: foundation of our faith. The word that has Jesus like the

center who gives authority to the biblical text, measure of all interpretation.

4. The Universal Priesthood of the Believers: We are all priests and we have free access to God. The priesthood is not exercised for its own benefit, but for the benefit of others. It is a service of Christian love, a shared and mutual ministry.

5. The Christian Community: is the church understood as part of the body of Christ. The churches are expressions of the body of Christ but no one can claim to be the only true one. This brings us to an ecumenical concept, a part of the body of Christ that is completed with all the churches.

6. Ethical principles of Protes-

tantism: We believe in an ethic of conscience and of the heart. The Protestant insists on the autonomy of the Christian conscience and rejects any arbitrary legalism. Our life of faith is extended to our whole social life.

I share this thought of Paul when he reminds us of the centrality of Christ:

"God's righteousness through faith in Jesus Christ, to all who believe, since there is no distinction. For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." (Rm 3: 22-23)

Frank de Nully Brown, Bishop.
Buenos Aires, 28 october 2016

YOUR COLLABORATION MAKES MISSION



At CEC-Masvidal we are working
to be able to develop projects in land of missions,
with the sending of human resources to impoverished countries
to make a direct service to the most needy.

This effort is not lost along the way:
the missionary who moves to a country of missions
provides spiritual, intellectual, technical and technological resources
and does it so in conditions of difficulty and great discomfort.

If you think your heart asks you to do mission
perhaps you are in a position to provide economic and material resources
to make it possible.

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