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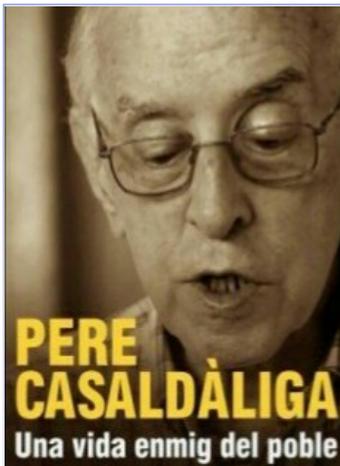
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News

Pere Casaldàliga, already at the Family Home:



On August 8, Pere Casaldàliga i Pla, bishop of the Roman church, born in Balsareny (Catalonia), Claretian missionary in São Félix do Araguaia, in Mato Grosso (Brazil), deeply linked to the Theology of the Liberation and defender of the poor

and the natives, passed away at the age of 92 in Batatais (Brazil). He fought hard to reform his church and bring it closer to the roots of the Gospel, and was a convinced ecumenist who sought areas of encounter and brotherhood among Christians of other denominations. Its spirituality and its 'causes' have been inspiration for our community, the CEC-Masvidal.

A direct witness to the martyrdom of his fellow ministers, and with several assassination attempts on his person for his commitment to the weakest, he always put his life at the disposal of God's will and the Good News. Rest in peace; live in the Peace.

Expedition to Morocco:



The uncertainty about the opening of borders means that at this time we still do not know if we will be able to make the expedition to Morocco

during the month of October, to visit and document the creation of the bathrooms of a rural school. Let us put it, like everything, in the hands of God.

Editorial novelty:

Starting this September, our publishing house will publish the first volume of what will be a collection of a total of six brief historical catechisms of the Reformation of the XVI and XVII centuries. The titles, in Catalan, will be as follows:

- Luther's Minor Catechism (1529)
- Catechism of Geneva (1560)
- Catechism of Heidelberg (1563)
- Canons of Dort (1618)
- Westminster Minor Catechism (1646)
- Baptist Catechism (1693)

The cross-platform edition of the devotional '[El Cenacle](#)', the book collection of '[Classics of the Reformation](#)', as well as this collection of 'Catechisms of the Reformation', are part of a humble and gradual creative effort of a Protestant literary background, and thus fill what we believe to be a gap in this subject in Catalan, for historical reasons.

You will find this new collection at:

<http://editora.elcenacle.org/>

AN ACT OFF COMPASSION

Seventeen years ago, my son was sentenced to life in prison. It was a time full of grief for many reasons and for so many people. As the courtroom emptied after the sentencing, a man approached me. I recognized him as the one who had carried his Bible to court every day — the victim's father. Standing quietly, looking into his face and not knowing what to expect, I was surprised when suddenly he said to me, "I am sorry for your loss." In the midst of the most devastating event in my life, God had placed before me this gentle man — in mourning himself — to express his compassion and sorrow.

This man had shown me the kindest act of Christian compassion that I have ever witnessed. In one brief moment, through him, God took my grief away and showed me a picture of the compassion and love of a true follower of our Savior Jesus Christ.

"In humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. "

Philippians 2:3-4 (NIV)

Compassionate God, thank you for the people who show others your blessings, mercy, and grace.



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