

## EASTER 2015

Best wishes for the Holy Easter! May the Risen Lord renew in us the life and let it be a KAMVULUMVULU/VORTEX OF LIFE!

Certainly this year it is for ANDIAMO TRUST, and thanks to the efforts of those most closely involved in its life, after a prolonged and painful passion, now living a real dynamic of the Resurrection, that of death and birth for a renewed life at the service of the community with motivations, rules, well structured administration and transparent.

Certainly this will not be its last Passover, because the last is death for the final transition. I believe this new birth of Andiamo and the restart is also a gift from those who have seen the birth and growth of the Cooperative, as an expression of the charity of the Gospel of Jesus, and I think of my brother Andrea, the Bishop Alessandro Assolari and friend Bishop Luciano Nervi, that ten years ago in 2005, in a close period, lived their final Easter, after a life given and spent for the Mission.

The 2015 Alleluia Band Tour will also be in their memory and in the memory of other friends, who now follow us, certainly from above.

I would like to say my personal thanks to Alessandro Marchetti, our volunteer who has spent over ten years here in Malawi, sharing joys and sorrows on the field, with the leaders of Andiamo Cooperative and the closest collaborators in Italy, thank God that they are too many, to name them all.

To all of you I wish that the joy of Easter fills your hearts with joy, your families and associations to continue with renewed passion in the mission of universal brotherhood.

Special recognition goes to ORIZZONTE MALAWI ONLUS, which coordinates the entire network of solidarity, to ensure a fruitful future for our Andiamo Cooperative in Balaka, in its effort to give a valuable service to the community and to all Malawi, engaging in its four areas of intervention: Education; Healthcare; Social Development; and Culture and Sport, with the spirit of genuine charity.

C. Chaplin says: "You will never see a rainbow if you are always looking at the ground."

It is a strong invitation to look more and more, higher and higher.

Let us overcome the despair of the pain of the moment, but also the satisfaction of the joy of the moment, to continue to draw our daily rainbow, which means renewed hope for us and for the whole world.

I also want to thank everyone for being close to me in the weakness of my health, that gives me a special role in our common commitment to the mission, that increasingly has no geographical boundaries, but boundaries of people near and far.

As a young man I lived, like all of our time, the tension between action and contemplation in the mission. Today, not on merit, but led by the concrete situations of my health, I find more and more balance for a mission of presence, experiencing the active contemplation and fruitful in the silence, although sometimes it becomes a sufferance. My brother Don Paul, whom I respect so much, told me a few months ago:

"Until today I did the priest, now I'm a priest!"

May be I can also say that so far I have done the missionary, now I am a missionary!

Marie Noel in her writing shows me the way and I ask the power of the Spirit to follow it:

"You have to create all the goodness and all the beauty that you can.

And when we cannot do anything, the good and the beautiful fact continue without us the way and it will force us against our will, to follow them again. "

The Apostle Paul encourages us so:

"Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labour in the Lord is not in vain." I Cor. 15:58.

On the feast of the Annunciation, as I struggled with a strong malaria, by chance, I found myself listening to classical music ... Everything is grace, providence and it was a nice gift, because for me it was the first time!

Last year with great simplicity and spontaneity my friend Claudio wished me Happy Easter so: "Dear Mario, God has risen in the clear eyes of a child that He has given you, in the hands concave shaped potter He forged, in the smile that fills with hot wind houses where you are sent, in robust body shape like a conifer that He built for you, in the fragile heart that continues to push up its branches with proud and fragrant resin. "

Thanks Claudio, you gave me a life plan of with your images and I offer them as a gift to all, because it may result in newness of life for each of us, in this Holy Easter full hope and fruits, at the end of our journey of a joyful and confident Lent.

Greetings, filled with gratitude,

Your fr. Mario