

YOU HAVE BEEN TOLD, O MORTAL, WHAT IS GOOD, AND WHAT THE LORD REQUIRES OF YOU: ONLY TO DO JUSTICE AND TO LOVE MERCY, AND TO WALK HUMBLY WITH YOUR GOD.

- MICAH 6:8

This summer on Love Begins Here, we are going to be focusing on what is good. We believe that the Lord has great plans for today's world, and our desire to live according to what he requires of us is an important part of making those plans come to life. As we examine what it looks like to do justice, we will ponder how our relationships with our neighbors bring love into the world. We will bask in the Lord's great love and mercy for us, hoping that we can become images of his faithful, persistent love in the world. We will consider how as young Catholics we can walk humbly, in accord with His will for our lives.

These reflections will be near to the heart of our patroness, St. Teresa of Calcutta, as she spoke, "We must not be afraid to proclaim Christ's love and to love as He loved. In the work we have to do it does not matter how small and humble it may be, make it Christ's love in action."

We are praying that this year on the mission field, our missionaries will enter more deeply into their relationship with Jesus Christ through the Church and learn to better live this good life.



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MISSION MANIFESTO

NEIGHBORS FIRST

We boldly take initiative to bring love to our neighbors, evangelizing with patience and joy. We are aware that when we close our eyes to our neighbor, it also blinds us to God. We encounter Him in those we serve. By putting God first in all we do, we live to serve others. Things of the world come last. We will find ourselves and come alive when we make a sincere gift of ourselves to our neighbors.

SMALL THINGS, GREAT LOVE

We work on a small scale with a larger perspective. No task is too small in the eyes of the Lord when filled with great love. We will aim for perfection in our work because our work belongs to the Lord.

MISSIONARY DISCIPLES

We are missionaries who work with passion, knowing we can bring God's love to our brothers and sisters who hunger. Love, in order to survive, must be nourished by sacrifices, especially the sacrifice of self. We refuse to settle for comfort and complacency, because we know each person is infinitely loved. We are the ones who enjoy life most, leaving security