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We are pleased to present our October issue of **ONE FAMILY IN MISSION** newsletter. We invite you - as part of that **FAMILY** - to share articles, best practices and any other items that you believe would benefit our community of Stewards. Please send them to tzalud@drvc.org.

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On Pentecost Sunday of this year, Pope Francis announced that the theme for October's World Mission Sunday would be "Here am I, send me." Throughout the month of October, as stewards, let us be opened to God's call to spread *Dramatic Missionary Growth* across our Island. The month of October gives us many opportunities to do just that. Along with World Mission Sunday, October is also Respect Life month and the month of the Rosary.

Forty percent of seven billion people. Unbelievably, that's the estimated number of human beings around the world who have not yet heard the Good News of Jesus Christ, and the reason why the Church continues to remind us that we need to exercise our Baptismal missionary calling.

While the Lord might not send us or our loved ones to another part of the world to evangelize those who never knew of the salvation offered by Jesus Christ, there are other ways to support the Church's mission without leaving the Island.

As the Holy Father points out in his message, we can intercede in prayer for billions of people to hear about the Lord and for others who have heard of Him to decide to follow Him. Since October is the month of the Rosary, we can pray one decade of the Rosary for the missionary intentions with our families each day. In fact, it is good all year long to teach our children (and to remind ourselves) to pray beyond our own wants and needs.

We can also pray the Rosary for Respect Life initiatives across our country and the globe. We should also pray for those who are terminally ill and for pregnant women who feel like they have no other choice than to abort their child. When we pray, we spread *Dramatic Missionary Growth* beyond the reach of our own hands.

Finally, as we pray the Rosary this month, meditating on the Gospel of

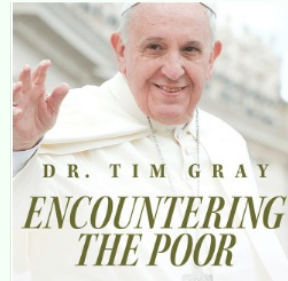
Christ's Life with the inspiration of the Holy Spirit and the help of Our Lady, let us praise and thank God for the gift of our Faith entrusted to us. Let us pray for eternal life for our deceased relatives and friends who brought the faith to us and made it possible for us to have the blessings of being Catholic.

And let us petition the Lord to make us generous contributors to *Dramatic Missionary Growth*, inside and outside our homes, so that we will hear the best words of all: "Well done, good and faithful servant," when the Lord calls us home.

Formed Stewardship Content of the Month

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Encountering the Poor by Dr. Tim Gray



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