

HOLY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION (HCA) / MISSIONARY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION (MCA)

The HOLY SEE established four pontifical mission Aid Societies, which form one institution with four branches:

***PROPAGATION OFFAITH
HOLY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION
SOCIETY OF ST PETER
MISSION UNION***

THE HOLY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION (HCA) / MISSIONARY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION (MCA) was founded in 1843 by a Bishop in France to help poor starving children of the world in mission countries. He asked children in France after he came back from his mission trips in the world to help by make sacrifices of contributing their money and offer prayers for their brothers and sisters starving with hunger. Till this time in history it shows, that history repeats itself. HCA/MCA is represented in about 120 countries, with the central office in Rome; in the 5 continents of the world – ASHIA, LATIN AMERICA, AFRICA, OCEANIA AND EAST EUROPE.

The principal aim of the association is to promote in these continents of the world a constant focus on the preferential option for the poor children in our world. Is a way to support projects with aim to improve effectively the living conditions and educational chances of children irrespective of their religion, origin or race. This helps the local churches to ensure as well religious education of children as services of missionary animation formation, communion and operation; spiritual, material and evangelizing services with regards to all the world's children. Although they are not formally connected, children take advantage of these services according to their needs and collaborate in them to their possibilities. It specially focus on children on these as follows : street children, working children, disabled, kids of ethnic minorities, kids in war, refugees, sexually abused, kids with AIDS and HIV, orphans and kids who are victims of natural disasters etc.

THE PONTIFICAL SOCIETY OF MISSIONARY CHILDHOOD proposes to:

***Awaken in children a universal missionary conscience
Help children to develop their missionary protagonist***

To promote universal missionary cooperation among children

Promote missionary vocations

This is integrated into the overall diocesan and parish pastoral process program of Christian education, by contributing its missionary program. The boys and girls belong to missionary childhood to be missionaries in the communities to help the children of the whole world. They are friends of JESUS and they make friends for JESUS.

Each year, the following dates are set apart for important duties and celebrations in honor to consolidate services and groups of the HOLY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION/ MISSIONARY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION worldwide:

ADVENT – HOLY BUCKETS ARE PASSED FOR SACRIFICE and DONATIONS

LENT- COINE BOXES PASSED TO EACH CHILD FOR HELP

2ND WEEK OF MARCH –NATIONAL PRAYER AND PENNY WEEK (IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH) 03/8-15/2015

EVERY FIRST FRIDAY IN October – HCA/MCA WORLD HOLY HOUR ADORATION for 2015, will be 09/02

For more information's please, go to the following to read more:

www.iamamissionary.org

www.worldmissionroseary.org

mca arts competition

www.hcakids

www.onefamilyinmission.org

I hope you invite Sr Loretto to your school and parish for mission presentation on children helping children – HCA/MCA

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