



*Dear Devotees of St. Joseph,
Friends, Benefactors and Patrons of the Rosary Hour,
Praised be Jesus Christ!*

It is already two thousand and twenty years since an Angel of the Lord appeared to the righteous husband of the Maid of Nazareth, and spoke thus: “Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins” (Mt 1: 20-21).

Jesus said of Himself: “I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved.” (Jn 10: 9), and St. Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, proclaimed: “Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other **name** under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved” (Acts 4:12).

However, it was St. Joseph, fulfilling his fatherly role, who gave the Savior the **name of “Jesus”, which means “God saves”** (Lk 2:21). Joseph humbly and perfectly fulfilled his role. It is for this reason that we can call him - after Mary - a second hidden “Apostle” of Jesus, the Savior.

All of us who, who by virtue of our baptism belong to Christ, passing through, let us make every effort **to be good and active apostles of Jesus, following the example of Mary and Joseph.**

The feast of Saint Joseph is approaching (March 19), and with it our NOVENA. Join it today and confide in St. Joseph your problems – the great as well as the small. St Joseph was very close to our Savior and he is a great patron. He can certainly intercede to God for us, and for our intentions.

On the enclosed form, please note your individual intentions. During the novena prayer (March 10-18) and the feast of St. Joseph (March 19), in common prayer through the intercession of St. Joseph and celebrated Masses, Franciscan spiritually united with the entire Rosary Hour Family will ask for all the graces you and all of us need.

On this occasion, we also urge you to generously support the Rosary Hour Apostolate which spread the Good News of Jesus. The Rosary Hour depends and exists solely on your generous donations and it is up to you whether it will be able to continue evangelizing the world through radio and the Internet.

Like St. Joseph was a breadwinner and protector of the Holy Family, so you are the protector of the Rosary Hour. **YOUR GIFT WILL BE AN IMMENSE HELP IN OUR EVANGELIZATION. It will also be, with no doubt, precious alms in the eyes of God – “an inexhaustible treasure in heaven”** (cf. Lk 12, 33).

Let St. Joseph, in Heaven with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Merciful God, intercede for you in Christ Jesus.

With a prayer and gratitude,

Br. Daniel, OFM Conv.

Br. Daniel and the Rosary Hour Community

