

Living Fr. Jordan's Vision

The US Lay Salvatorians

Our Mission Statement

We, Lay Salvatorians in the US, sharing the vision, charism and spirituality of Father Francis Jordan and Blessed Mary of the Apostles, seek to make the Savior known by ministering in our daily work and lives.

Our Name

1971 - First Lay Associates make formal commitment in Wisconsin

1993 – Lay Associates become known as Lay Salvatorians

2007 – Eleven Countries choose our name:

– International Community of the Divine Savior –

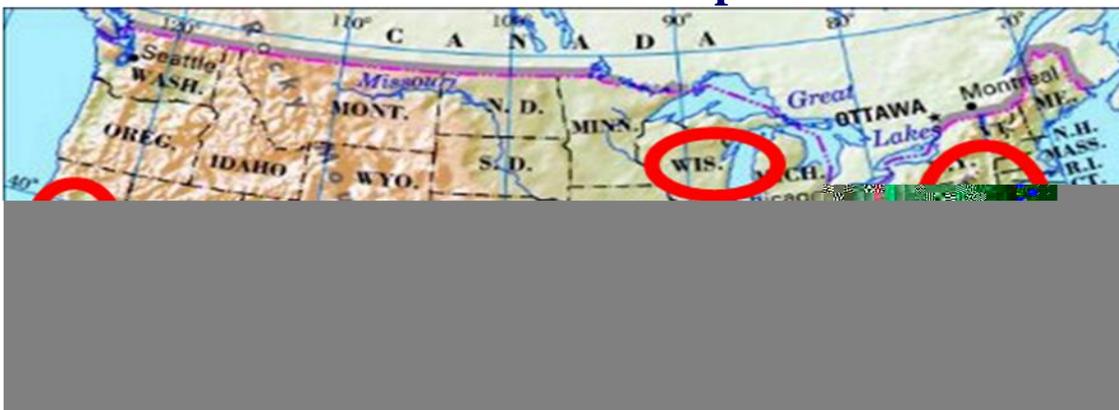
Our Call to Membership

Interested Persons/Candidates exhibit

- A call to serve in ministry
 - A desire to deepen their spiritual life
 - Possess a strong sense of community
 - 2 year formation process
 - Forming Disciples, Sending Apostles
 - Study of Founders vision, charism, spirituality
 - Study of Church/Salvatorian documents in key areas of history, prayer, ministry, universality and community life
- Discernment of making a life-time commitment

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Our Membership



Our Collaboration in Ministry

- Project Light's mission is to serve the people in Manatee County who need help learning to read, write and speak English.
- Southwest Medical Aid is a distributor of humanitarian medical supplies and is dedicated to improving the quality of life of children and families with medicine, educational materials and personal care products.
- The Haiti Project brings the basic human needs of food, water and education to the people of River Mancelle, Haiti. Through the use of solar energy we are teaching the people how to conserve their rich natural resources.

The US Salvatorian Family

In February 2007, the US Salvatorian family created three directional statements which will serve as a foundation for future collaborative life. We committed ourselves to corporate ministry that identifies us as Salvatorians of justice and peace. We committed ourselves to joint ongoing formation in every stage of life. We committed ourselves to being Salvatorians who are willing to develop and use our gifts in collaborative ministries.

Our Challenges for the Future

- To create a network of communication helping us to know one another across the vast area of our country;
- To sustain the Salvatorian Spirit as our religious members diminish and leave the Parish setting; we will need to minister to our fellow parishioners with love, inclusivity and understanding;
- To develop a strategy to introduce Jordan's vision to young people and implement a way for them to journey with us as they move toward adulthood;
- To becoming more financially stable nationally;
- To assist in the development, structurally and financially, of the International Community of the Divine Savior.

Our Founder's Words

“Beg of the Holy Spirit that you may become people of prayer, that you may observe the precept of the Divine Savior: Pray continually and never lose heart. For us it is necessary and always will be necessary to pray, to storm heaven, to remain one in prayer, until we have obtained help from above.”

Who are Lay Salvatorians? What do they do?

The Salvatorian Family has three branches: The Salvatorian Fathers and Brothers, The Salvatorian Sisters, and The Lay Salvatorians. They are united by a public commitment to the mission as envisioned by the Founder, Father Francis Mary of the Cross Jordan, forming one family of zealous apostles, announcing to all the salvation that has appeared in Jesus Christ (John 17:3).

The Lay Salvatorians share their vocation in equality and complementary with the other members of the Salvatorian Family. Lay Salvatorians are men and women, married or single, who have God at the center of their lives; people who have the ability to lead, transforming their environment by the way they live, defenders of life, human rights and all of God's creation; people who, with their lives, give testimony of God's kingdom and find strength by sharing in spiritual community with other Salvatorians.

Formation in order to become a Lay Salvatorian

During the process of being formed as a Lay Salvatorian, the following qualities must become evident:

- The ability to evangelize in one's environment, job or profession
- A preferential option for the poor
- The ability to embrace the life, ideals and spirit of Father Jordan
- The ability to see oneself as a member of the Church and have an attitude that is universal, ecumenical, missionary and prophetic
- The ability to live, celebrate and deepen one's understanding of Eucharist and the Sacraments
- Active participation in apostolic ministry in the Church and civil society.

