

WHO ARE THE “SOWERS OF THE SEED” INTERCESSORS?

“In all truth I tell you, unless a wheat grain falls into the earth and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies it yields a rich harvest.” (John 12:24)

The “Sowers of the Seed” intercessors are missionaries of God’s Love. Our call and vision is to work with the Holy Spirit in His many works especially within the Catholic Church through the missionary work of intercessory prayer. Jesus invites us to serve in intercession with the same heart that He has, “No one can have greater love than to lay down his life for his friends.” (John 15:13)

The Lord describes FBB SOS mission in many ways. One day He reminded us that “the main purpose of the sower is the harvest.”

The parables of Jesus reveal many wonderful possibilities for the spiritual work of the sowers in intercession. For example, the parable of the mustard seed (Matthew 13:31–32) reveals to us that because even small sowing can actually result in great harvest, our expectations in intercession need to be much bigger than what we see. The Parable of the Sower reveals how much intercession work is needed to prepare the way and care for the planted seeds to come to full harvest. Yet when we sow in intercession in God’s Glory, He promises, “the Harvester will overtake the sowers.” (Amos 9:13)

OUR HISTORY

The “Sowers of the Seed” is the USA branch of “The Catholic Charismatic Intercessors of the Fellowship of the Burning Bush” (FBB), an international apostolate of missionary intercession. Together with other branches of FBB (for example, in Mexico, Guatemala, Kenya, India, Australia, Papua New Guinea, Japan, and Europe), we form a spiritual, pilgrim “House of Prayer” united together in intercession in the Holy Spirit especially for the Church. Branches of FBB have been officially established in various Arch/dioceses around the world as an “Association of the Faithful” in the Catholic Church.

On the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity in 1982, in Prescott, Arizona, USA, the Lord initiated FBB with the words:

“I want to raise up an army of prayer warriors
who will pray together for the work of Holy Spirit
in the whole Catholic Church.
I will call this army: THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE BURNING BUSH.
Follow Me and watch it happen.”

Since that beginning, FBB Foundress, Franciscan Missionary Sister Stephen, has worked with God’s people in the Church throughout the USA and in some 25 nations in this apostolate of missionary intercession for the Church.

In 1985, FBB was introduced in Southern Michigan through the Franciscan Duns Scotus School of Evangelization, Southfield, Michigan. At that time, Sister Stephen gave various training courses on FBB missionary intercession to people from all over Michigan and from many

different denominations. Over the years, intercessors have continued to pray in their home places in small prayer cells of intercession for the Church. Since 2009, FBB intercessors have been based at Christ the King Catholic Church, Ann Arbor, Michigan, in the Diocese of Lansing and at St. Hedwig's Franciscan Monastery, Dearborn Heights, Michigan in the Archdiocese of Detroit.

OUR LOGO

On the front of this leaflet is the logo of the Sowers of the Seed. The logo is drawn on a scroll that symbolizes God's plan, God's manifest will, the desires of God's Heart for all His People.

The Scriptures tell us that the Lord Jesus is both the sower and the seed that is sown from Heaven. He is the seed that fell into the ground and died to bring forth a great harvest of souls for the glory of God the Father!

In the logo we see the Lord Jesus as the sower walking as a missionary and sowing an abundance of seed from His Wounded Hand. The Lord Jesus is Sower of God's Word... the final word from Heaven of all God the Father desires to speak to all His creation and all people ... the Divine message of Eternal Life. Indeed, All of Heaven has been released through the wounds of the Lord Jesus. This abundance of seed represents this abundance of blessings from heaven poured out for all ... a shower of roses ... "more than we can ever ask for or imagine." (Ephesians 3: 21) The sowing goes on in the light of the sun, representing the Glory of God, the Holy Spirit. The oak leaves and acorn seeds give promise of a 100-fold harvest.

As missionaries of God's Love in intercession, SOS intercessors are privileged to join with the Lord Jesus to spiritually dispense the abundant graces of God from Heaven to all people...especially in the Church. We work with the Holy Spirit in prayer to spiritually open the heavens and prepare the way for His blessings to come to those we pray for. We pray to remove the spiritual obstacles that Jesus spoke about in the parable of the sower. And we work with the Lord to release the abundance of graces and miracles of His Resurrection victory from heaven into the earth.