Holy Scripture House



Our Marian Formation (Cana) Center is beginning a final project for faith formation. At this starting point, we entrust this project and ourselves to Our Lady, Star of the New Evangelization. When she appeared in Kibeho, Mary said she wishes for her Son to be more known and loved. We believe that she will guide us and intercede for us to build these two beautiful places, the Holy Scripture House and the History of Salvation Center. Our wish is that Jesus, who is living in Mary, will also come to live in us.

The Marian Fathers from Kibeho-Nyarushishi, Rwanda



History of Salvation Center

New Evangelization Project

2018



There is an urgent need for faith formation in Rwanda

Why the need?

In Rwanda, there is very little or even no catechesis and there are few religious books. The people are largely untaught in terms of our Christian faith. Because of this, many do not read Scripture on a regular basis. Reading

Scripture on a regular basis. Reading the Bible isn't regarded as essential or important to the practice of their faith. Because of this, many Christians feel they don't need the Bible. Those who do desire to read the Bible often do not have one available or cannot afford to buy one because it is too expensive.

Therefore, there is a major need for catechesis and faith formation as well as the need for Catholic Bibles that are not only available, but affordable for the people of Rwanda.

"Teach the children in the faith."
 Our Lady of Good Help.
 (Champion, Wisconsin, USA in 1859)

The Marian Fathers

The CANA Center strives to strengthen faith in two ways, through evangelization (by the education of our faith) and through prayer (by giving retreats). Our CANA Center is in the final phases of new formation projects. The **New Evangelization Project** is one of these last proposals.

"Look to the future with commitment to a New Evangelization, one that is new in its ardor, new in its methods, and new in its expression"

St. John Paul II



How will we Evangelize?

The Bible is the source and foundation of our faith, and Jesus taught us that Scripture is spiritual food for the soul.

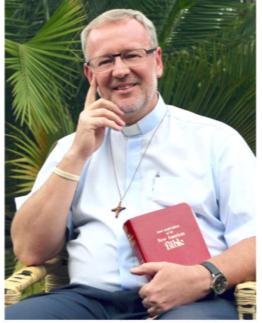
The Holy Scripture House will help
Christian people to know and
understand the Bible and to live the
Word of God. There will also be
recording studios for TV and music to
promote evangelization through media.

The **History of Salvation Center** will be a place for large numbers of people to come and learn about History of Salvation and the Christian Life.

It will be the largest Christian exhibit in all of Africa to teach pilgrims about our Catholic Faith. Nowhere else can so many people be educated about every aspect of our faith at one time!

This New Evangelization Project will provide catechesis and an experience that enkindles the desire for God through images, music and the omnipresent Word of God.



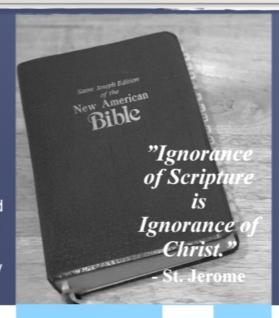


"The Bible teaches us to serve God and our neighbor through our words and our life. Therefore, our Christian mission is to make Jesus Christ, 'The Word of God,' known and loved, and to honor Our Lady, the 'Mother of the Word,' who appeared in Kibeho."

Fr. Leszek, MIC Director of the CANA Center, Kibeho-Nyarushishi, Rwanda

The Bible is ignored

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Holy 03 Scripture House

Will be a place to teach people how to read and understand the Bible. When we spend time with Scripture, we spend time with God. It will be more than just an exhibit, but a place for people to come encounter God.

Holy Scripture House



The Solution

To make the Bible, the Living Word of God, Known,

Loved and Lived out in Rwanda ...

but how?

What it will include:

- Exhibits explaining both the Old & New Testaments
- · An exhibit of all printed Bibles
- A Conference Hall for 100 people
- A gift shop for marketing, printing and distributing Bibles
- Recording studios for TV and music to further evangelize the good people of Rwanda

Holy Scripture House

A place to come to know God better through His Word, and then to learn how to share Him with others through evangelization.

I Exhibit of Old & New Testaments There is unity between the two Testaments; the Old Testament prepares for the New and the New Testament fulfills the Old.

People can learn about the Bible during a self-paced walk through style exhibit of the Old and New Testaments through pictures and posters with explanations.

Exhibit of Printed Bibles

An exhibit of "the Book of all Books." The Bible has been translated into more languages than any book in the history of world. Vision 2025 is a project by the International Bible Society to start translating the Bible into every language by 2025. In this exhibit, people from all over the world can find the Bible in their own language!

III Conference Hall A lively place of Bible studies, conferences, meetings, debates and seminars to help form priests, catechists and young people. We are hopeful to do this in collaboration with the Bible Society in Rwanda.

IV Bible Store A place for marketing and distributing Catholic Bibles that are affordable for every family in Rwanda. We will have a large inventory of not only the entire Bible, but also individual books of the Bible (making them even more reasonably priced) in Kinyarwanda, English and French. We will also print Bibles specifically geared towards children and youth.

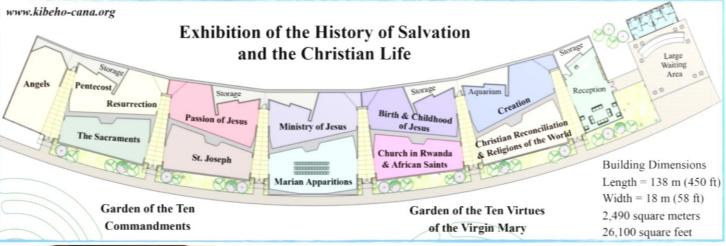
V Recording Studios Our recording studios for television programs and music will provide a way for evangelization through media. We will produce Catholic programs intended for National Rwandan TV, and will translate Christian movies into Kinyarwanda. Our music studio will record high quality Christian music using talented singers found both locally and abroad.



Through this project we would like to make Jesus Christ, "The Word of God," known and loved, and to honor the "Mother of the Word," who appeared in Kibeho.

Fr. Leszek, MIC - Director of the CANA Center

History of Salvation Center





"This presentation of the History of Salvation is, for us, the Will of God, which calls our small team to put our whole hearts and all of our time towards this project so that we can make this Center a reality without delay.

Tomorrow is too late to evangelize."

Fr. Leszek, MIC Director of the CANA Center, Kibeho-Nyarushishi, Rwanda

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History ⁰³ of Salvation Center

Our Marian Shrines and Centers need modern and attractive tools to transmit the Faith. In one unique place, we will offer 11 rooms and two outdoor Spiritual Gardens detailing the History of Salvation and the Christian Life.



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The Solution:

To Evangelize ...

but how?

What it will include:

- Five rooms explaining the History of Salvation
- A "rotating" exhibit about the Christian Life including the Church in Rwanda, Mary, African Saints and more!
- · Two spiritual Gardens
- + A gift shop with religious items

History of Salvation Center

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01 History of Salvation

02Rotating Exhibits

03Spiritual
Gardens

04 Gift Shop Five rooms will present the History of Salvation in a self-paced walkthrough exhibit through posters and banners with explanations in English and Kinyarwanda: Creation, the Birth and Childhood of Jesus, the Ministry of Jesus, the Passion and finally, the Resurrection and Pentecost. The room for Creation will have the stunning addition of an aquarium to awe and inspire our visitors, most of whom will have never seen one.

This area will feature different displays such as Mary, St. Joseph, African Saints, Angels and our Catholic Faith. It will also tell about the history of Christianity in Africa. Did you know that 2017 marked the 100th anniversary of the first priest ordained in Rwanda!? There will also be information about work toward the reconciliation of the Christian Church as a whole and explanations about the major world religions as well.

Outside the History of Salvation Center there will be two spiritual gardens dedicated to the Ten Commandments and the Ten Virtues of the Blessed Virgin Mary. These gardens will provide a place for deep reflection of the Christian moral life. They will remind us of the importance of the Ten Commandments and will also invite us to imitate the Ten Evangelical Virtues of Mary, which is the best devotion to Our Lady.

In our Christian life, we need signs and reminders of our Faith. These kinds of souvenirs are very important to encourage us in our journey to heaven, because they are not only objects, but 'souvenirs' of our faith. Therefore, in the reception area, we will have a gift shop featuring items both from the local area and from the Holy Land which connects our faith with the land of Jesus.

This project
encourages me to
work harder towards
evangelization in
Rwanda. I am fully
convinced that it will
deeply enrich the faith
of our hundreds of
thousands of Christian
visitors. This Center
will generate a new
upsurge in faith
formation and
catechize people on a
large scale.

Fr. Leszek, MIC

Holy Scripture House



In Conclusion

Jesus said, "Go forth and preach the Gospel."

Mark 16:15

The Church continues to proclaim this message.

Mary, Mother of the Word, who appeared in Kibeho, also invites us to come to know her Son better through the Holy Scriptures.

We eat daily to feed our bodies, we must also feed our souls daily with the spiritual food of the Scriptures.

How can people be good Christians without knowing the Word of God or the History of our Salvation?

This project addresses the urgent need for the formation of the Christian life in Rwanda, in Africa and even the whole world.



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Mary,
Star of the New Evangelization,
pray for us!

2018



Will you help us?



Newly ordained Fr. Emmanuel, MIC with Fr. Leszek, MIC.

Fr.Leszek, MIC Director of the Marian Evangelization Center in Kibeho-Nyarushishi, Rwanda "In Africa, a serious deepening of the faith is urgently needed." - St. John Paul II

Because of our numerous visitors from Rwanda and the surrounding countries, it is ideal to expand the Marian Father's Cana Center for this Evangelization Project.

This project has been approved by our Congregation, the local Bishop and all local authorities.

The Universal Church is made rich by the generosity of the faithful. We will inscribe on a wall, in chronological order, the first and last names of all donors who contribute financially to the building of this Project.



May the Lord reward you a hundred fold. God bless you!



To donate, visit <u>www.kibeho-cana.org/helpus</u> and click "Donate Now"

Or send a check made payable to "Marian Fathers" to:

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