

**TUESDAY NIGHT PRAYER**  
**Missionary Disciples—Go Be Signs and Bearers of God's Love!**

**GATHER**

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*Presider 1:* Let us take a moment to center ourselves in this moment of prayer, to close our eyes and focus on feeling and listening to the inhale and exhale of our breath.

With a spirit of gratitude for this week of SYLC, let us begin In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**LISTEN**

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*Reader:* A reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah

The word of the LORD came to me: Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you. "Ah, Lord GOD!" I said, "I do not know how to speak. I am too young!" But the LORD answered me, Do not say, "I am too young." To whomever I send you, you shall go; whatever I command you, you shall speak. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you—says the LORD. Then the LORD extended his hand and touched my mouth, saying to me, See, I place my words in your mouth!

Today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, To uproot and to tear down, to destroy and to demolish, to build and to plant.

The Word of the Lord.

**RESPOND**

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*Presider 2:* "To whomever I send you, you shall go; do not be afraid of them for I am with you; I place my words in your mouth; today I appoint you," says the Lord. We have been appointed, we are being sent out to transform the world. As we prepare to journey home as missionary disciples, let us take a few moments to look back on this week—the experiences we have shared, the moments of laughter, joy, and growth,

*(Slide show)*

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**Presider1 :** We are invited to go out to the whole world, but that whole world begins precisely where we are. Here and now. In our communities, in our schools, parishes and homes. It begins with the transformation of our own hearts and perspective. It begins with the courage to say, "Here I am, Lord, send me!" Take a few moments to reflect on the gifts and strengths you have discovered this week that will help you transform the world and write them down on the cutout you have been given.

**SEND**

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**Presider 2:** God Our Father, you who know us,  
love us and call us to transform the world,  
bless us with a restless *discomfort*  
about easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships,  
so that we may seek truth boldly and love deep within our heart;  
bless us with holy *anger* at injustice, oppression,  
and exploitation of people,  
so that we may tirelessly work for justice, freedom,  
and peace among all people;  
bless us with the gift of *tears*  
to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation,  
or the loss of all that they cherish,  
so that we may reach out our hands to comfort them  
and transform their pain into joy;  
bless us with enough *foolishness*  
to believe that we really can make a difference in this world,  
so that we are able, with Your grace,  
to do what others claim cannot be done.

We ask this through Christ, Our Lord.  
Amen.

**All:** Mary Help of Christians.  
Pray for us.

**Presider 1:** At this time, we invite \_\_\_\_\_ to come up and share with us  
our Salesian Good Night.