

JESUS AND KENYA

Lodwar (1978) (1962)
Cath.: 10.000

Bungoma (1987)
Cath.: 230.000

Eldoret (1957)
Cath.: 365.000

Kakamega (1978) (1904)
Cath.: 285.000

Kisumu (1953) (1904)
Cath.: 291.000

Kisii (1960) (1911)
Cath.: 519.000

Ngong (1977) (1955)
Cath.: 60.000

Marsabit (1964) (1951)
Cath.: 24.000

Nakuru (1968) (1928)
Cath.: 237.000

Nyeri (1953) (1903)
Cath.: 498.000

Murang'a (1983) (1902)
Cath.: 465.000

Nairobi (1953) (1899)
Cath.: 690.000

Machakos (1969) (1912)
Cath.: 276.000

Meru (1953) (1911)
Cath.: 466.000

Embu (1986) (1927)
Cath.: 120.000

Garissa (1984) (1960)
Cath.: 16.000

Kitui (1963) (1945)
Cath.: 72.000

Mombasa (1955) (1889)
Cath.: 99.000

PEOPLES OF KENYA TO JESUS

SOUVENIR OF THE CENTENARY
OF THE EVANGELIZATION OF KENYA:
1889-1990.
NOW ... TOWARDS EVANGELIZATION 2000!

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our gratitude to the Lord JESUS: "He gave Himself up for us", we give ourselves up to His Heart's MERCY AND LOVE.

Our loving Lord Jesus, we consecrate ourselves, our country and our Church anew to You on this occasion of the Centenary of the Evangelization of our country Kenya. TO YOU, we consecrate our bodies with all their senses, our souls with all their faculties and our whole beings. TO YOU we consecrate our thoughts, words and works; all our sufferings and labours; all our hopes, consolations and joys and above all to YOUR HEART WE CONSECRATE OUR HEARTS: teach us all how to LOVE YOU IN ALL AND ABOVE ALL.

Accept, O Jesus, Our Lord and God, Our Saviour and Redeemer, the desire we have to please You and to belong to YOU forever. Take possession of us in such a way that we may have no other freedom but that of LOVING YOU, no other desire but that of remaining always Your faithful, loving disciples, ready "to die rather than to sin", as our African Saints have done, here in Kenya, Uganda and Zaire. Jesus, in YOUR HEART, we place our unbounded confidence and we hope for pardon for our sins from Your Heart's infinite mercy. Jesus, in Your hands we entrust all our cares, above all that of our eternal salvation.

We promise to love and to obey You in everything until the last moment of our life, and to make Your Heart's mercy and love known and loved by others.

Dispose of us, O Divine Heart of Jesus, according to Your good pleasure.

We desire no other reward than Your greater glory, Your love and Your friendship.

Grant us all the grace to find in Your most Sacred Heart our dwelling place: "You in us and we in You", teaching us ever greater "familiarity with You and Your Father" through Your Holy Spirit of love. With You, we desire to live and to die. O Jesus, make our hearts ever more like Yours, teach us Your gentleness, meekness, humility, obedience, readiness to serve and to love, unselfishly, You, Your People and Your Church, till we come to be with You in Your heavenly Kingdom forever. Amen.

This is the Prayer (with minor changes and additions) used by **Blessed Maria Droste** (1863-1899), a German Good Shepherd Sister, missionary in Portugal, who wrote to Pope Leo XIII suggesting the consecration of the whole world to Jesus' Heart. Pope Leo XIII acted on her request and on the 11th June, 1899, consecrated the whole world to Jesus' Heart at the end of the 19th century. Since then the consecration of the whole world is repeated in all the churches on the feast of Jesus' HEART.

Everyone is advised to start the new day, offering oneself to Jesus' Heart, through the shorter prayer of "Morning Offering to Jesus' Heart".

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