

## ☞ 我們為甚麼要福傳 (一) ☞

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### 福傳是教會的本質

- 「教會之所以存在，乃是為了向普世萬邦擴展基督之光。教會與基督的關係使教會成為人類合一的表徵與工具。」(教宗若望保祿二世 1983 年 10 月 15 日對馬拉威主教的談話)

### 我們應當福傳，因為耶穌基督是一位福傳者

- 「因為祂願意所有的人都得救，並得以認識真理。」(弟前 2：4)
- 「天主竟這樣愛了世界，甚至賜下了自己的獨生子，使凡信祂的人不至喪亡，反而獲得永生。」(若 3：15)

### 我們福傳，因為這是天主的命令

- 「你們要去使萬民成為門徒，因父及子及聖神之名給他們授洗。」(瑪 28：19)
- 「你們往普天下去，向一切受造物宣傳福音。」(谷 16：15)

### 我們要福傳，因為有聖神與我們同在

- 「我也要求父，他必會賜給你們另一位護慰者，使他永遠與你們同在；他是世界所不能領受的真理之神，因為世界看不見他，也不認識他；你們卻認識他，因為他與你們同在，並在你們內。」(若 14：16-17)
- 「因為天主所賜給我們的，並非怯懦之神，而是大能、愛德和慎重之神。所以，你不要以給我們的主作證為恥，也要以我這為主囚的人為恥，但要依靠天主的大能，為福音同我共受勞苦。」(弟後 1：7-8)



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### 我們要福傳，因為那是一項特恩

- 「不是你們揀選了我，而是我揀選了你們，並派你們去結果實，去結常存的果實，你們因我的名無論向父求甚麼，他必賜給你們。」(若 15：16)
- 「因此被召的人多，被選的人少。」(瑪 22：14)
- 「所以我們是代基督作大使了，好像是天主藉著我們來勸勉世人。」(格後 5：20)

### 福傳的人更有聖德和喜樂

- 「我所行的一切，都是為了福音，為能與人共沾福音的恩許。」(格前 9：23)
- 「這訓令的目的就是愛，即由純潔的心、光明磊落的良心和真誠的信仰所發出的愛；但有些人離開這而轉向了空談。」(弟前 1：5-6)

### 無價之寶

- 「世上任何寶藏絕對比不上天主的榮耀。因為『經上這樣記載說：天主為愛祂的人所準備的，是眼所未見，耳所未聞，人心所未想到。』」(格前 2：9)
- 「是人從未聽過的，耳朵從未聽過，眼睛從未見過你以外，有一個神對依靠自己的人如此行事的。」(依 64：3)

\* 請記下你對以上文章的任何感想或有任何信仰分享，投入我們設在聖堂反面的收集箱內。

### 教友感想：

當我閱讀「福傳意義」這篇文章後，使我感覺到福傳的重要性。文中特別提到聖保祿宗徒所寫的一句話：「我若不傳福音，我就有禍了。」閱後真觸動了我的心，使我久久不能平靜下來。是的，當我們接受聖洗後，特別是堅振後，我們便應該傳揚主的福音，為基督作證。這是我們教友的责任及應盡的義務。我很希望堂區神職人員及熱心的教友能帶領我們，特別是青年教友，使我們能通過祈禱、分享、聖歌、探訪和各種福傳方法向我們的親友和在我們的社區中傳播福音，把主耶穌的愛傳遍世界！

## Why do we have to evangelize (1)?

(Provided by HK Diocesan Ad Hoc Committee for the Year of Evangelization)

### Evangelization is the basic element of the church.

- Dialogue of Pope John Paul II with the Bishop of Malawi on 15 Oct 1983

### We have to evangelize because Jesus Christ Himself is an Evangelizer.

- This is good and pleasing to God our savior, who wills everyone to be saved and to come to knowledge of the truth. (I Timothy 2:3-4)
- Everyone who believes in him may have eternal life. (John 3:15)

### Evangelization is a command from God.

- Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. (Matthew 28:19)
- Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. (Mark 16:15)

### The Holy Spirit is with us during evangelization.

- And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, which the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows it. But you know it, because it remains with you, and will be in you. (John 14:16-17)
- For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control. So do not be ashamed of your testimony to our Lord, nor of me, a prisoner for his sake; but bear your share of hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God. (II Timothy 1:7-8)

### We have to evangelize because it is a grace.

- It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. (John 15: 16)
- Many are invited, but few are chosen. (Matthew 22:14)
- So we are ambassadors for Christ, as if God were appealing through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. (II Cor 5:20)

### Evangelizers are blessed with virtues and joy.

- All this I do for the sake of the gospel, so that I too may have a share in it. (I Cor 9:23)
- The aim of this instruction is love from a pure heart, a good conscience, and a sincere faith. Some people have deviated from these and turned to meaningless talk. (I Timothy 1:5-6)

### It is a priceless treasure.

- But as it is written: "What eye has not seen, and ear has not heard, and what has not entered the human heart, what God has prepared for those who love him," (I Cor 2:9)
- Such as they had not heard of from of old. No ear has ever heard, no eye ever seen, any God but you doing such deeds for those who wait for him. (Isaiah 64:3)

\* If you have any reflection on this article or your faith sharing, please write it down and put it into the collection box located at the back of the church.

### Reflection on last article:

I am inspired when reading "The Concept of Evangelization", for it gives me a good understanding of what Evangelization is and prompts me to think what I could do as a baptized Christian.

The article says that "in our everyday life, we should share the joy from God with our family and friends", which happens to be my favorite thing to do in life. Whenever there is gathering among the friends I would wholeheartedly participate in the conversation and listen to friends' concerns and opinions. However, when it's time to share my perspectives, I would introduce them to the Christian God, Jesus Christ, the ultimate source of love, truth and joy... Although the Christian outlook differs from the secular mindset and unavoidably we could encounter doubt or objection, as long as we make sincere efforts to live and spread the Good News, the Holy Spirit is with us, and we will prevail. Therefore, during the evangelization, I didn't lose any friend, but gained friendship, understanding and the desire to know God from non-believers. I also earned a deeper understanding and the skill to articulate more effectively what we believe after each discussion or debate. The joy of evangelization is immense.



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