



DIVINE WORD MISSIONARIES SVD—ANGOLA

OTP IN ANGOLA

Our context in Angola

Both church and the SVD in Angola have to face not only a new situation in the social, political and cultural fields but also a radical change of the religious context. The secularism begins to enter in Angola that becomes a challenge for the church in all. Multi-cultural, multi-religious and multi-ethnic groups have now become gradually reality especial in the church. For us SVD, we continue to live our genuine missionary way according to our own charism.

In order to prepare our young missionaries confreres to given context, we provide them with an intercultural-formation-program in an intercultural community.

What we do

We work in the parishes of rural and semi-rural areas, Seminaries, schools, centre for homeless children, Health care centre.

In the Parishes have different services like: visitation in the basic communities (village visitation), youth animation, catechetical formation (for Catechists and Catecumens), visitation of the sick, promotion of Christian family life and values, liturgical and spiritual animation, vocation promotion and others. An OTP student may engage in any of these services in the parish.

Special ministries: Street children, Health care and School apostolate.

How we do

We promote human values, respect, responsibility, friendship, leadership and service. We administer sacraments after a catechetical preparation on the catholic Christian doctrine.

Prerequisites

1. The OTP experience lasts two years and the young missionary confrere should come with 2 years of temporary vows.
2. The student is given 6 months to learn the language and 3 months to learn the culture and may be given extension of three months or less according to his need.
3. He should have ability to learn languages, enough sociality as to adapt to another culture.
4. The provincial director of OTP will send the request to the Provincial OTP director of Angola, at least five months before the program start.

Finances

1. The one-way ticket and travel back to the province that sends: should be assumed by the province of origin.
2. Other expenses will be assumed by the province of Angola.

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