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W E B I N A R Splinters of the Cross Thursday, December 11, 8:00PM (ET)

Together, we'll explore why the Christian faith is divided into so many denominations—and how we can lovingly invite others to discover the fullness of our Catholic Church. Your hosts for this journey are Jim Pinto, Carlos, and John Paul. Come & share your thoughts too! SCAN TO REGISTER or use this link:
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5357117968456256601>



Be Inspired!

EWTN continues to be a profound source of inspiration for each of our Media Missionaries. From its humble beginnings, the network stands as a miraculous witness to the power of God at work. Below, you'll find a summary of these remarkable events. And don't miss the chance to revisit an inspiring flashback testimony, first shared in the Media Missionary Newsletter back in 2008!

In 1981, Mother Angelica chose to "do the ridiculous, so that God could do the miraculous" by converting the Poor Clares' monastery garage in Birmingham, Alabama, into a fully operational Catholic television station. Sustained by the prayers of the Poor Clare Nuns and the generosity of countless donors, that humble beginning gave rise to the Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN)—now the largest Catholic media organization in the world.



POPE Leo XIV'S Address to Catholic Digital Missionaries and Influencers and What We Can Learn

I would like to share some major points from Pope Leo's recent address to *Catholic Digital Missionaries and Influencers*. His address is most relevant for us as EWTN Media Missionaries.

Pope Leo mentions three key aspects for us as Catholic Digital Missionaries:

- 1. The Mission of the Church: to proclaim peace to the world!** The Peace that comes from the Lord who conquered death brings us God's forgiveness, gives us the life of the Father, and shows us the way of Love!
- 2. ... always look for the "suffering flesh of Christ" in every brother and sister you encounter online.**

Today, we find ourselves in a new culture, deeply characterized and formed by technology. It is up to us – it is up to each one of you—to ensure that this culture remains human.

- 3. ... "go and mend the nets."**

Jesus called his first apostles while they were mending their fishing nets (Mt 4:21-22). He asks the same of us today. He asks us to weave other nets: networks of relationships, of love, of gratuitous sharing where friendship is profound and authentic. Networks where we can mend what is broken, heal from loneliness, not focus on the number of followers, but experience the greatness of infinite Love in every encounter...

The above is the foundation of Pope Leo XIV's insightful address, and there is much more built upon that foundation. I encourage all of us to put into practice these principles and to read in its entirety: Search online – **"Address of His Holiness Pope Leo XIV to Catholic Digital Missionaries and Influencers."**

Please contact us to learn more regarding ways of sharing the Eternal Word digitally as an EWTN Media Missionary.

Sincerely in Christ,

Jim Pinto

Jim Pinto, Director,
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THE CHRIS STEFANICK SHOW



Display This Season's Poster!

Please use the enclosed seasonal poster wherever you have permission to display it. Contact our EWTN Media Missionaries office at: ewtnmissionaries@ewtn.com or call 205-795-5771 if more posters are needed.

Be sure to fill in the blank space at the bottom with your local EWTN TV or Radio Station.



A Blessed Merry Christmas from all of us in the EWTN Media Missionaries Department

"O Jesus, give me the humility to give love for Love – that as You came for me, so may I live for Thee. In my heart may You always find shelter and a warm inn where You may dwell, as in a temple. At every moment I wish to say, 'I love Thee my God, I love Thee.'"

Mother Mary Angelica, EWTN Foundress
April 20, 1923 - March 27, 2016



John Paul

Jim

Carlos



Don't Miss the SEEKING BEAUTY Series on EWTN!

Experience the first–ever adventure documentary series that celebrates life's wonders—where culture, architecture, food, art, and music come alive to reveal beauty and draw us closer to the divine. Don't miss the journey! Learn more at: <https://www.seekingbeauty.show/>

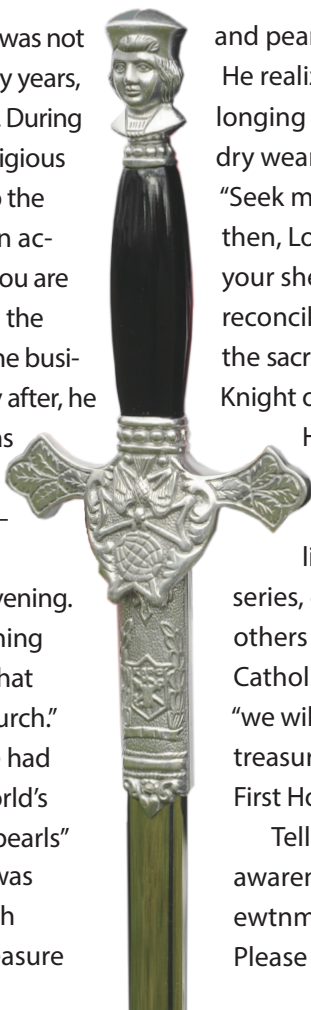
A TIMELESS AND INSPIRING TESTIMONY

Making Christ present in our time

A timeless and inspiring testimony taken from a 2008 EWTN Media Missionary Newsletter, written by Robert Rodriguez, the Manager of Volunteer Support at that time. It still rings true today!

Richard Ellis was born and raised Catholic. His family was not practicing their faith much, and only in his very early years, does he remember going to church with his parents. During his college years, he completely abandoned any religious practice and his faith. He quickly began to move up the corporate ladder and became Vice President of an accounting firm. The “wisdom” of the world says that you are somebody when you have money, when you reach the height of popularity. When Richard was on top of the business world, he thought he was “somebody.” Shortly after, he began to live life in the fast lane. “My conscience was dead and so it didn't bother me to do immoral things.” This led Richard to live in absolute darkness—intellectually and spiritually.

The light of Christ dispelled that darkness one evening. As he was channel surfing, he came across something he wasn't expecting—a Catholic Network, EWTN. That evening, Mother Angelica was discussing “The Church.” He began to hear things about the Church that he had never heard before. He had tasted many of the world's “treasures” and experienced many of the world's “pearls” throughout his life, but through that episode, he was given the grace to realize that the Catholic Church was the narrow road where he would find the treasure



and pearl of great price—Jesus in the Eucharist. He realized that the one for whom he was truly longing was God, as Psalm 63 tells us: “I was like a dry weary land without water.” That night he prayed, “Seek me, Lord; I need you. Seek me, find me. Come then, Lord, for I have gone astray. Come in search of your sheep.” The following day, Richard was reconciled to God and the Catholic Church through the sacrament of Confession. Today, Richard is a Knight of Columbus and an EWTN Media Missionary.

He uses various EWTN programs to help instruct those in Confirmation and RCIA classes. He has started an EWTN lending library at his parish using many of EWTN's series, documentaries, and devotionals to help others discover the beauty and splendor of the Catholic Church. He tries to make others aware that “we will find the pearl of great price and the hidden treasure only in God.” Thirty–seven years after his First Holy Communion, Richard made that discovery.

Tell us your story about how you raise awareness of EWTN in your area. Send an email to ewtnmissionaries@ewtn.com. Please limit words to 200.

We Have Parish Bulletin Announcements!

We have a collection of Bulletin Announcements that you can choose from to send to your parish administrator for inclusion in your parish bulletin! Just go to ewtnmissionaries.com and scroll down to the section titled “BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR YOUR PARISH” and see the many options you have for your parish!



2026 EWTN Calendars Available

Haven't received your free 2026 EWTN Calendar yet? Request yours today at ewtn.com/calendar or call **1-844-447-0068**. Available while supplies last—one per household, U.S. addresses only.

Thank you for your Fellowship!

Thank you to everyone who joined us at the Annual Media Missionary Gathering and the Family Celebration! If you weren't able to attend, we pray you'll be with us next time. This year, nearly **240 Media Missionaries** came together at the Family Celebration and **130 new missionaries** signed up that day!



A Special Offer for all Media Missionaries from the EWTN Religious Catalogue Online Store

The Religious Catalogue Online Store is open 24/7, offering a wide selection of Holy reminders and religious items perfect for any occasion. Visit ewtnrc.com or call **1-205-271-2990** and receive **10% off** when you use the code **MMTENOFF** at checkout.



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May you have a Holy New Year and Lent

Be assured of our prayers for you and your loved ones during this coming New Year and Lent. We are dedicated to praying Mother Angelica's Prayer for EWTN each First Friday of the month with you. We are blessed to have you as Media Missionaries praying together with us throughout the year. It unites us in concerted prayer.