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"A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you."

(Ez 36:26)

moment by moment

Do we really need a new heart and a new spirit?

Yes! All we have to do is look around us! Violence, injustice and wars spring up from hearts of stone that are closed to God's plan for humanity and for all of creation.

And even if we look at our own heart, don't we find a lot of selfish desires?

We are each called to build a new world around us and to make humanity more and more beautiful.

What a tremendous mission God has given us! And he really trusts us to do it!!

(question)



{ Are we guided only by love when we make a decision?
Do we sincerely want only what is good for others? }



(interview...)

For several years, a group of teenagers from Granada, Spain, have been trying to live the Word of Life together.

"To put our hearts into action and to widen them to the measure of the Heart of Jesus, we got the idea of organizing a weekend of social projects.

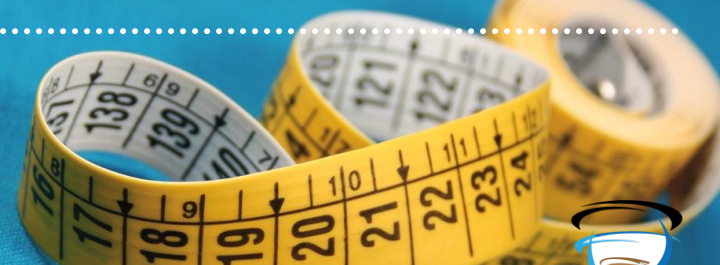
We wanted to put love of neighbor into practice and do something concrete about it, so that it wouldn't just remain a nice thought.

So we got organized and prepared together a visit to a residence where homeless people can stay instead of being out on the street. It was a very strong experience for all of us. We overcame every obstacle and did not hesitate to love each one.

Besides that, like every year, we prepared a sale to help those in need.

We told some people in our community about it and they were enthusiastic! They helped us in very concrete ways.

It was a new experience in which adults and teens together carried out a project in which we all felt like real leaders!"



Instead of getting discouraged when we see so much corruption in the world, instead of resigning ourselves in the face of evils that are so much bigger than us, instead of closing in on ourselves and giving up....

Let's open our hearts as wide as the Heart of Jesus. That's quite a job! But it's the one thing we need to do. Once this is done, everything is done.

'A new heart I will give you...'

If we keep ourselves open to the invitation to love each person, if we allow ourselves to be guided by the voice of Jesus within us, we will become builders of a new world.



(work in progress)

«We have to love everyone we meet as God loves them. And since we are on earth, we have to love them one at a time, without keeping in our hearts any trace of affection for the person we left just a minute ago.» Chiara Lubich

(my notes)



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