

## Chapter 10 Spreading the Good News

How beautiful are the feet of those who bring the good news. *Romans 10:15*

### To the Parents:

In chapter 10, your child learned the following:

- Sharing one's gifts with people is a way to spread the Gospel.
- Out of love for God, monks and nuns brought the Good News to others and helped strengthen civilization.
- At Baptism, Christians become responsible for teaching people about Jesus.

One of the primary tasks of Christians is to spread Jesus' message of love and service. This means moving without fear among those who do not yet believe, wherever they may be found. Sometimes, it is necessary to go to foreign lands to spread Jesus' message. However, "missionary" work is often necessary in one's own neighborhood and indeed even in one's own family. In any case, missionaries need a strong conviction of the truth of the message in order to speak and teach it.

In all efforts to be heralds of the Good News, Christians must find ways to speak gently and to respect the belief, or lack of belief, of those who do not follow Jesus. Evangelization today means reaching out to people of many backgrounds and diversity. Jesus provides the model and the method of evangelization: love and inclusion speak louder than force or noisy arguments.

### With Your Child:

1. Missionary work can start in your own backyard. Together create a banner with words or pictures celebrating your Catholic faith and display it on your door or window.
2. Find pictures of medieval cathedrals and their artistry, and then talk about their beauty and spiritual meaning then and now.
3. Write a prayer for today's missionaries who continue to spread Jesus' message to all parts of the world. Pray your prayer as a family.
4. Read about Mollie Rogers on the Review and Explore page.