

# Harvesters of Jesus

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The Association of the Harvesters of Jesus was established in order to provide the regular daily spiritual needs of the Little Eden Society. It is firmly believed that without such support, Little Eden would wither.

**For, behold, the winter is past! The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds has come! ~ Song of Solomon 2:11-12**

Spring has always been my favourite time of year, just because it seems like everything is *born* again. After a long cold period, new life magically appears all around us. There's something mysterious about it...perhaps we inherently know that it means a new beginning or a fresh start? We spring clean our houses – out with the old, in with the new! We are creative, full of ideas and inspiration!

I was struck by the enthusiasm conveyed by this passage. The writer must have been very excited to announce the arrival of spring – I almost imagine him shouting it from the roof tops!

While I was reflecting on this, I remembered something my Grandmother used to say to me when she was still alive: "Child, *now* is the best time of your life, no matter what age you are!"

While the spring season is inspiring, beautiful and brings us joy, we really should live *every* day with hope and expectation. This is where the children of LITTLE EDEN are one (or maybe several) steps ahead of us. They don't live in the past, only for today.

*Now* is the time to expect something new from God. It is a time for restoration, new hopes and new dreams – regardless of what season you are in your life. Allow God to give you His new life and enjoy it!

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## Daily prayer for the needs of LITTLE EDEN

Jesus Great Harvester who desires the salvation of all mankind, accept the offering of my life and work in assisting You to help garner the fields for the harvest. Teach me compassion, understanding and love for those most in need. Bless our Association; strengthen the bonds of love and charity amongst us, so that with hearts united we may say "Thy kingdom come". Mary, comfort of the afflicted, pray for us.

