

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.

“Look at the birds in the air. They don’t plant or harvest or store food in barns, but your heavenly Father feeds them. And you know that you are worth much more than the birds.” – Matthew 6:26.

Years ago, my dad told us about back when he and Mom got married and how hard it was for them financially. One particular month, they would not have enough money to pay their bills and buy groceries. Worried, they went to the store and carefully selected only the most essential items on their list. While in the store, Dad realised that they did not have *toilet paper* and that their last pennies would not be enough to cover it!

Trying not to let Mom see his concern, he quietly prayed, whilst continuing his shopping, that God would provide this item for them in His infinite love. As they paid for their basket, there was still no toilet paper in it! Yet, Dad continued to trust that God would provide for them.

When they got to the car, Dad put away the groceries and as he closed the boot, his foot bumped into something lying halfway under the car. What did he see as he bent down? A bag of toilet rolls the size of a mountain – or so it seemed! My parents looked around to see who may have dropped the bag under their car, but there was not a single person around. Coincidence? Dad does not think so!

I laugh every time Dad tells the story about how God got them toilet paper! Yet, I think about it from time to time, because in its simplicity, it taught me a great lesson. Everything we have and everything we receive – even the little things - come from God. He is the One who provides, nurtures and sustains us.

LITTLE EDEN has experienced many such incidents where Divine Providence intervened at exactly the right moment. Economic circumstances are tough at the moment and non-profit organisations everywhere, are affected by it. We at LITTLE EDEN and we who are *for* LITTLE EDEN can continue to pray for our precious angels that reside here...Pray that God will continue to sustain each one of them and that He will continue to protect and bless the Society.

Will you regularly say a special prayer for LITTLE EDEN and ask God to ensure that our children are always looked after?

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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.