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# MGIORNATA MISSIONARIA ROGAZIONISTA 2013

## PROGETTO BAHIA

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E GIOVANI VULNERABILI  
PRESIDENTE JANIO QUADROS  
(BAHIA, BRASILE)

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**“For the little ones and the poor, I pleaded with God and men”**  
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## PRAYER FOR THE ROGAZIONIST MISSION DAY 2013 (ROGAZIONIST PROJECT IN BAHIA)

*O Father, you anointed Jesus  
with the Holy Spirit  
and sent him as Worker of the harvest,  
to evangelize the little ones and the poor,  
announcing the year of grace and liberation.*

*We, the Family of the Rogate,  
ask that in fidelity to the charism  
we may assume the commitment  
of evangelization and service  
for those who are  
wounded in their dignity*

*as sons and daughters of God.  
Make us generous and committed  
with your people  
in this semi-arid region of Bahia,  
in proclaiming the Gospel of the Rogate,  
in witnessing as missionary disciples of Christ,  
following the example of our beloved Father  
and Founder,*

*Saint Hannibal Mary Di Francia,  
who affirmed by word and deed:  
“For the little ones and the poor,  
I pleaded with God and men.”  
Mary, Mother of Aparecida  
and Our Lady of Evangelical Rogation  
Intercede for us.*

*Amen.*

In the message that the Pope has addressed for World Mission Day, which we have just celebrated, he reminded us of the missionary nature of the Church. Among other things, he invited us to look at the richness that has come to the Second Vatican Council with the participation of the Council Fathers from Asia, Africa, Latin America and Oceania: “Enriched by their experience of being pastors of Churches, young and in the process of formation, motivated by passion for spreading the Kingdom of God, they contributed significantly to reaffirming the need and urgency of the evangelization ad gentes, and hence to placing the Church’s missionary nature at the centre of ecclesiology.”

This awareness of the missionary dimension of the Christian life becomes for each one of us a matter of commitment, particularly in this Year of Faith. We are called to rediscover the love of the Lord, to return to Him with a true conversion. His Spirit will give us time to listen to the cry that comes to us from the “exhausted and abandoned crowds, like sheep without a shepherd” and revive our “Rogationist” vocation and our mission.

We are reminded, once again, by the Holy Father: “Through his love, Jesus Christ attracts to himself the people of every generation: in every age he convokes the Church, entrusting her with the proclamation of the Gospel by a mandate that is ever new. Today too, there is a need for stronger ecclesial commitment to new evangelization in order to rediscover the joy of believing and the enthusiasm for communicating the faith. In rediscovering his love day by day, the missionary commitment of believers attains force and vigour that can never fade away. Faith grows when it is lived as an experience of love received and when it is communicated as an experience of grace and joy. It makes us fruitful, because it expands our hearts in hope and enables us to bear life-giving witness: indeed, it opens the hearts and minds of those who listen to respond to the Lord’s invitation

to adhere to his word and become his disciples” (PF, 7).

The Rogationist Mission Day, while aiming to rekindle our missionary awareness, it calls us to a concrete gesture of solidarity and generosity towards some realities of the Congregation which are in the condition of particular emergency.

Hence, our contribution in the next year will go to the Rogationist **Project in Bahia** – St. Hannibal Center for Human Promotion - Presidente Jânio Quadros - Bahia - Brazil.

We will be assisting a rural community in one of the poorest regions of the in Brazil, which suffers particularly from a severe drought. We want to establish a socio-educational unit that caters to the education of children, adolescents and young people in situations difficulty and social vulnerability.

This Rogationist unit of Bahia will be built within the parameters of a sustainable development, defined by the UN Rio+20 Conference, held in the month of June in Rio de Janeiro. In the protocol signed by the delegates and leaders of nations present at the event it was defined that for the purposes of a sustainable development accurate social, environmental and economic dimensions should be considered. It will also be a sign of the preferential option for the Family of the Rogate for the little ones and the poorest, who are the favorites of Jesus and our holy Founder.

All of us, as Family of the Rogate, especially the Rogationists, we are invited to know more about the missionary work of the charism in the arid region of the “wilderness” of Brazil and take it to heart, which is surely one of the most challenging works of the Congregation.

May our Founder, Saint Hannibal Mary Di Francia, obtain for us his zeal and his compassion for the little ones and the poor, so that we may walk in fidelity to the mission that was entrusted to us.

P. ANGELO A. MEZZARI, R.C.J.  
Sup. Gen.



# PROJECT BAHIA

## Saint Hannibal Center of Human Promotion

Presidente Jânio Quadros - Bahia – Brasil



### PRESIDENTE JÂNIO QUADROS

Before describing the Project for the Rogationist Mission Day 2013 we would like to present some data of the city of President Jânio Quadros, where the Congregation is present for almost 20 years (1994-2012).

#### Ecclesiastical situation<sup>1</sup>

The city of President Jânio Quadros has a parish, dedicated to St. John the Baptist. It covers the whole territory of the Municipality, and is served pastorally by the Rogationist Fathers, who also have another neighboring parish, dedicated to St. Antho-

ny, in the municipality of Maetinga. They belong to the diocese of *Caetité*. President Jânio Quadros is 190 km distant from the seat of the diocese, about two hours drive by car.

The Diocese of *Caetité* was established in 1913 with the papal bull *Maius Animarum Bonum* of Pope Pius X. It exists on a large area of 41,979.6 square kilometers, with a population of almost 700,000 inhabitants, of whom 90% are Catholics. It includes 35 municipalities and 33 parishes. This immense reality is taken care of by the Bishop Don Ricardo Guerino Brusati and diocesan clergy composed of 33 priests.

### The city

The city of *Presidente Jânio Quadros* is located in the semi-arid north-east zone, in the southeast region of *Bahia*, and has a population of 13,652 inhabitants. Of these, almost 20% live in the urban region. Social data indicate that it is one of the regions of Brazil with the highest level of vulnerability. Among the 5,500 Brazilian cities, in fact, President Janio Quadros occupies the 4,873<sup>rd</sup> place, with the Municipal Human Development Index at 0.587 and the 345<sup>th</sup> place among 415 seaside municipalities. Over the past 10 years it has suffered a significant reduction in the population (-2.19%), mainly due to the migration of families and people in other regions (*Vitória da Conquista*, *Salvador*, *Belo Horizonte*, *Rio de Janeiro*, *Sao Paulo*, etc..).

The area began to be populated in 1876, when Lieutenant Alipio Ferreira settled there, developing agriculture and animal husbandry. In the same year he formed the chapel of St. John the Baptist, initiating the formation of the *São João do Alipio* village, "or *arraial*", developed on the basis of agriculture, livestock and trade. In 1944, the village began to be called *Joanina*.

In 1961 the municipality was renamed *Presidente Jânio Quadros*, in honor of the President of the Federative Republic of Brazil at the time.

The inhabitants are called *Janio-quadrense*. Total population (with 2010 data)<sup>2</sup> amounted to 13,652 inhabitants.

The territorial area covers 1,185.134 km<sup>2</sup>. The population density is 11.52 inhabitants/km<sup>2</sup>.

As mentioned above, the city is a part of the semi-arid region of Northeast Brazil. This means that in the region there are long periods of drought, with occasional rains concentrated in a few months. The meteorological data give an average of about 750 mm<sup>3</sup> of water a year, irregularly distributed in space and time. The high temperatures



(26° on average) with little variation throughout the year have a strong effect of evaporation and lead to a huge water deficit.

Another feature of the region is the strong presence of salts in the soil, crashed to the ground due to intense evaporation. This is a major problem for agricultural production. However, the nature resists, and with the arrival of little rain everything changes, life is full of colors and scents.

In addition to natural adversities one of the most serious problems is the social inequality, with poor distribution of wealth. The city is among those that have a greater concentration of power and wealth in a few people. The population is suffering because of the precariousness of transport and inefficient means of communication. In most of the rural area the electricity reached in just 10 years. There is no hospital in the city, and an health and social care unit has been established only recently. The main access to the town hall is on unstable and unpaved roads.

Despite suffering from insecurity and abandonment, the population is deeply warmth and determined in the construction of a

<sup>2</sup> Fonte: IBGE - 2010

<sup>3</sup> Fonte: IBGE

<sup>1</sup> Fonte: www.diocesedecaetite.org.br



new reality. The Catholic religion has been an element of unity in religious, cultural and community events. The Church has been always the driving force in all community struggles that bring a greater socio-political awareness and in the formation of "leaders". The main cultural-religious event - is the feast of the patron saint, St. John the Baptist, in the month of June. The inhabitants of the urban as well as of the rural ar-

reas, all gather together in front of the church. Those who are distant because of forced migration, or in search of better working conditions and education in the major centers, return to "their" city and among "their" people. In these religious celebrations and feasts the people find the motivation to continue to resist the hardships of the climate, but also against the violation of social rights.



## PRESENCE OF THE FAMILY OF THE ROGATE IN BAHIA

The presence of the Family of the Rogate in the region began when the Daughters of Divine Zeal arrived in the city of *Maetinga* in March 1993. Subsequently, the Rogationists came in *Presidente Jânio Quadro* in 1994, with an inserted community and assumed the pastoral care of three parishes: St. John the Baptist, St. Anthony (in the nearby town of *Maetinga*) and St. Anthony (in *Caraiba*). In 1996 the seminary, situated within the premises of the parish of *Janio Quadros*, was inaugurated. In 2008 the Rogationists left the administration of the Parish in *Caraiba*, in view of a Missionary Station in another north-eastern State, *Paraiba*. Today the Family of



the Rogate, with the presence of lay associations such as the Union of Prayer for Vocations, continues to grow in the two cities where the Daughters of Divine Zeal and Rogationists are present.

The Parish of St. John the Baptist, the seat of the religious community and the place where the Rogationist project of Bahia will be started, has 28 communities, organized into eight zones, each with its reference or center, for the pastoral coordination.

The parish of St. Anthony, in *Maetinga* has 14 communities. Most of the ecclesial communities of *Jânio Quadros* is located in the rural area, likewise in situations of difficult accessibility. Here are the names of these communities:

- 1. Parish (Main Center)**
2. Chapel of Nossa Senhora Aparecida
3. Lagoa Grande
- 4. Terra Vermelha (Area Center)**
5. Baixão
6. Pé do Morro
7. Lagoinha
8. Lagoa Seca (presently deactivated)
- 9. Jacaré (Area Center)**
10. Tabuleiro de Dentro
11. Roçado
- 12. Lagoa da Pedra (Area Center)**
13. Ceará
14. Lagoa da Onça
- 15. Jenipapo (Area Center)**
16. Lagoa da Manga
17. Morro do Simplício
- 18. Limoeiro (Area Center)**
19. Batalha
20. Conceição
21. Jacu
22. São Joaquim
- 23. Periperi (Area Center)**
24. Sitio Novo
- 25. Serra Escura (Area Center)**
26. Jardim
27. Sobrado de dentro
28. Bonfim



Besides the pastoral work, the Rogationists in *Presidente Jânio Quadros* have other initiatives such as providing social and educational services: community library, popular homeopathy, courses on animal husbandry, local folk dance, association of beekeepers and training of leaders.





## THE ROGATIONIST PROJECT OF BAHIA

### DESCRIPTION

#### Definition

Name: *Saint Hannibal's Center di Human Promotion*

Area of concern: *Social Assistance*

#### Beneficiaries

- ✓ Direct: up to 150 children, adolescents and young
- ✓ Indirect: families; nearby communities and other residents of the region (*Jânio Quadros e Maetinga*).

#### General Objective

- ✓ Constructing and structuring in a sustainable manner the seat of the Rogationists

in Bahia for a better development of the social and educational activities, receiving and forming children, adolescents and young people who are in difficulty and are exposed to personal or social risks, according to the principles of the Rogationist socio-educational Network.

#### Specific Objectives

- ✓ To be a venue for charismatic presence of the Rogationists in the socio educational field.
- ✓ To be a venue for social, environmental (ecological) and economic sustainability.
- ✓ To be a venue for evangelization, at the service of every human being - regardless of race, religion, sex, etc.. - where his dignity and the system of rights is weak.
- ✓ To be a place where social and educational activities can be developed, starting with the Rogationist educational project

that favors the strengthening of the students' self-esteem and of community and family ties.

- ✓ To be a space for community and for civic cultural meetings that allows pupils, families and communities to confront and overcome situations of distress and/or social and personal risk.
- ✓ To be an instrument in empowering adolescents and young people, preparing them for independent living and social, political and environmental involvement.
- ✓ To be a venue for enhancing political and democratic awareness and critical view of reality among pupils, families and community, making them agents of transformation of this reality.
- ✓ To be a space for digital integration for their pupils and communities.

### STRUCTURE

#### Development

**Project location:** in a property of the Rogationists in *Presidente Jânio Quadros* in (BA), *Community Nossa Senhora Aparecida*.

**Characteristics of the and socio-educational area:** expansive, good brightness, high resistant side walls, spacious verandas to allow ventilation, accessibility and ventilation systems to reduce the heat. Fire alarm sys-

tem in accordance with regulations; system of gathering and channeling of rainwater daily use.

#### a) Structural part:

a.1) Socio-educative facilities:

- 1 kitchen with pantry
- 1 refectory
- 5 rooms for social and educational activities (1 multipurpose and 1 for the computer lab);
- 1 Room for educators with 2 restrooms, computers, meeting and planning table, storage for teaching materials.
- 1 Director's office and space for administrative records;
- 1 stock room (cleaning material, storage of tools that are not used daily, maintenance equipment. etc.);
- 1 room exclusively for receiving and entertaining the student and their family, that safeguards privacy.
- 1 reception room with a space the exposition of the Rogationist charism
- 1 Room reserved for male and female students (with physical disabilities)

a.2) Sports facilities:

- Rehabilitation of the field and the stage;
- Construction of the soccer field;
- Realization of a children's playground.

### COMPONENTI E COSTO DEL PROGETTO nella sua fase di avvio (1° anno)

1) Parte strutturale (spazio socio-educativo)	Euro 40,000.00
2) Spazio sportivo e parco infantile	Euro 5,000.00
3) Arredamenti sale	Euro 10,000.00
4) Materiale pedagogico	Euro 5,000.00
<b>Costo Totale del Progetto</b>	<b>Euro 60,000.00</b>



a.3) Facilities for a community garden with artesian well, cistern, irrigation and a small stable.

a.4) Construction of the St Hannibal Ecological Park with organic vegetation and promenade. Walled space.

**b) Socio-educative activities that will be developed in the future:**

- ✓ Laboratory for reading / writing, with



books about children's stories;

- ✓ Laboratory for digital integration (computer laboratory with technician);
- ✓ Activities with teacher in accordance with the age group;
- ✓ Laboratory for physical activities (dance, sports, capoeira, theater);
- ✓ Study tours, visits, film viewing, theater, etc..
- ✓ Work in the community garden.
- ✓ Income-generating activities, etc..
- ✓ Civic consciousness training

**Necessary means and resources:**

- ✓ Funding for the construction of physical facilities and the acquisition of furniture and initial teaching materials will be obtained by means of the Rogationist Mission Day. The initial cost of the work is of R\$ 150,000.00 (one hundred fifty thousand Brazilian real) = € 60,000.00.
- ✓ The sustainability of socio-educational project that will be developed in the future will be provided by means of a specific fundraising initiative. This could be done simultaneously during and after the Rogationist Mission Day.

**MONITORING, DISSEMINATION AND EVALUATION OF RESULTS**

**Monitoring**

- ✓ Project monitoring will be done through the Board of Management of St. Hannibal Training Center and through the Rogationist religious.
- ✓ The local Rogationist Community will be responsible for internal audit, according to the competencies defined in the norms and the Statute of the Rogationist social work.

**Dissemination**

- ✓ Electronic media and printed materials will be used to inform about the development of the project and to report on the accountability of resources.
- ✓ After the construction of the headquarters for the St. Hannibal Human Promotion Center - Rogationist Project of Bahia, a seminar will be organized to present the accounting of resources and the evaluation of the social impact of the project. The seminar will be published through the instruments mentioned above.

**Assessment of the social impact**

- ✓ The assessment of the social impact will



be carried out during the inauguration of the St Hannibal Center for Human Promotion. It will be the responsibility of the Local Community the Rogationists, through a Rogationist religious who will be the main responsible and the project manager of Rogationist Project of Bahia, under the supervision of the Provincial government.

- ✓ Along with this assessment of the social impact, there will also be a report on the use of the resources collected as well as the presentation of social and educational activities that will be furtherly developed on site.



ALLEGATO I

MAPPE

Presenza Rogazionista in Sud America, formando la Província São Lucas



Posizione del Municipio di Jânio Quadros in Bahia:



Posizione della Bahia in Brasile:





**ALLEGATO II**  
**Presidente Jânio Quadros (BA - Brasil)**

**Indici sociali (2010)<sup>4</sup>**

Popolazione Urbana:	30,8%
Popolazione Rurale:	69,3%
Popolazione (0 a 5 anni di età)	7,7%
Popolazione (6 a 14 anni di età)	16,6%
Popolazione (15 a 24 anni di età)	18,3%
Popolazione (25 a 39 anni di età)	21,6%
Popolazione (40 a 59 anni di età)	20,4%
Popolazione con domicilio con struttura fognaria inadeguata	7.500 persone
Indice brutto di frequenza scolastica	71,12%
Indice di analfabetismo (15 anni di età o più/2000)	44,1%
Persone che non sanno leggere e scrivere (15 o più/2010)	34,0 %
Persone che non sanno leggere e scrivere (15 a 24 anni)	3,8%
Indice di educazione (IDHM-E)	0,610
unità sanitarie (2009)	9 unità
Durata di vita	65,23 anni
Indice di longevità (IDHM-L)	0,670
Reddito per capita ( em R\$ de 2000)	69,05
PIB per capita (2009 in R\$)	2.816,15
Indecenza nella povertà (2003)	47,48%
Indice di reddito (IDHM-R)	0,480

<sup>4</sup> Dati estratti dal IBGE/PNUD / IPEA / FJP



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