

- 2007** Translation and publication of Lina Boff, OSM's book: *Mary and the Feminine of God*.
- 07/07** Exploratory trip to Bahia, Brazil, as possible site for mission experience.
- 2007** Presentation by SCJ representatives at OSSM conference in Belleville, Illinois, and at UNIFAS in Portland, Oregon.
- 2008** Translation of Heitor Turrini's book, *Amazonia Desconocida*, into English, *The Amazon That We Do Not Know*.
- 09/09** Exploratory trip to Servite missions in Petit Goave, Haiti, as possible sites for mission experiences.
- 2009-10** 25th Anniversary Conference (English and Spanish) in Chicago, Illinois. *Theme:* "Mary, Lowly Servant of Creation" by Dr. F. Javier Orozco, SFO.



### SCJ Mission Statement



We Servites are rooted in the Scriptures, where Mary is the liberating response to oppression and poverty. Through this woman, we have an entry point for confronting injustice, beginning with the injustice to women.

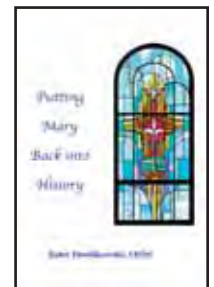
# Servite Coalition for Justice



## 25th Anniversary Timeline

The **Servite Coalition for Justice** — laity, sisters, and friars of the Servants of Mary in the United States of America — strives to bring about a just and peaceful world. Following is an overview of 25 years of dreaming, organizing, educating, sponsoring, publishing, and reaching out for social justice.

- 1984-86** Developing a vision, contacting OSM communities, initiating intercommunity meetings.
- 10/87** Formulated shared statement on social justice.
- 1987-88** Servites visit Nicaragua to explore political/social reality.
- 03/90** Works of Justice and Peace Survey.
- 06/91** Servite Conference on Peace and Justice to commemorate the 100th anniversary of "Rerum Novarum." *Theme:* "Fashioning the Servite Charism for the Third Millennium." Formulated "SCJ Mission Statement."
- 08/92** John Pawlikowski, OSM: Chicago and Omaha presentations — "Putting Mary Back into History."
- 10/92** SCJ members participate in "500 Years of First Peoples' Survival in America" march and celebrations in Detroit, Michigan.





02/93 Servite Intercommunity Phone Tree/Letter Writing Network initiated. *Focus:* global Servite issues (debt relief and deforestation of Amazon) as well as issues impacting women and children.

07/93 SCJ presence at UNIFAS in Quebec, Canada.

06/94 Retreat at Cabrini Center in Chicago: “Servite Ministry in a Hurting World — Making Hope-Filled Connections.”

04/96 Border Experience: El Paso, Texas, and Juarez, Mexico. *Theme:* “Fashioning Servite Charism for 3rd Millennium.” Formulated “Resolutions of Conscience.”

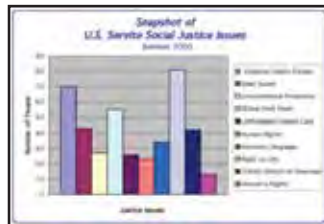
1997 Published John Pawlikowski, OSM’s *Putting Mary Back into History*.

07/98 Retreat in Frankfort, Illinois, led by Sister Corona Mary, OSM, of India. *Theme:* “Images of God, Images of Mary” (Eastern/Western).

09/99 SCJ representative participates in Rural Coalition Assembly in Creel, Chihuahua, Mexico.

2000 Initiated occasional articles for *COSMOS*.

2000 U.S. Social Justice Survey (of OSMs and OSSMs) — ♦Servite sources of information and formation, ♦apostolates, and ♦top social justice issues.



09/00 Presentation at U.S. UNIFAS: ♦survey results, ♦information, ♦videos, and ♦action suggestions on issues — death penalty, School of the Americas, global debt relief, Acre, Brazil (Death of a Forest). Shared list of social justice web sites.

12/00 Coalition begins meetings with Secular Servite groups about Catholic Social Justice Principles and how they can be integrated into Servite spirituality.

03/01 SCJ endorses resolution calling for a moratorium on death penalty and legislation to abolish capital punishment.

2001 SCJ information tables at Marian Conferences and UNIFAS gatherings.

05/02 In solidarity with farm workers, endorsed and supported boycott of Mt. Olive Company products.

10/02 Retreat at Cardinal Stritch Retreat House in Mundelein, Illinois. *Theme:* “Servites Are ‘Servants of the Magnificat.’”

2003 Created links with Brazil Servites on global warming and destruction of rainforest.



07/04 Exploratory trip to Acre, Brazil, to plan mission experience.

2004 Composed meditations (Spanish and English) on Servite Rosary — focusing on life. Rosary recited at site of splitting of atom at University of Chicago Campus.

12/04 AIDS awareness day especially as it affects Africa.

04/05 Educational sessions in Omaha, Chicago, and Ladysmith on life and issues of Servites in Brazilian rainforest.

07/05 Retreat days in Chicago precede immersion experience into Servite missions and rainforest destruction in Brazil. “Prayer Companions on the Journey” prayer/reflection piece to be in solidarity with immersion participants.

10/06 Seven city U.S. lecture tour, dialogues, and retreats with Lina Boff, OSM. *Themes:* ♦Mary and Ecology, ♦Solidarity and Communion in a Globalized World, and ♦Theology of Freedom.



2006 SCJ representation at UNIFAS in La Muralla, San Juan del Río, Querétaro, Mexico. Launch web site: <www.GenerationServite.org>.