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Led by the Spirit: Where the Need is Greatest!

All glory and praise to God as we celebrate 150 years of our Spiritan province in the United States! *Led by the Spirit where the Need is Greatest*, Spiritans have responded to the call to mission in serving the People of God in various ministries over the past century and a half. We stand on the shoulders of many dedicated and hard-working Spiritans who have gone before us laboring in the vineyard proclaiming the Good News in parishes, schools and other ministries at home and abroad, sending Spiritan missionaries from the U.S.A. to Africa, Central America, the Caribbean, Latin America, and Asia.

Serving recent immigrants and marginalized populations from New York to California, from Texas to Michigan, the Province of the United States has been enriched by the faith of the many people who have been our collaborators in the mission. Led by the Spirit, the Spiritans have always sought to let God work through us, and we have been enriched by the people that we have been called to serve. A constituent part of our Spiritan mission is crossing boundaries and working inclusively with local communities to meet the needs of those on the margins.

As we celebrate this historic moment in the life of the Spiritan mission in the United States, we look forward to new horizons and continuing to respond to the needs of the church today and tomorrow. As we read in Philippians 1:6 and the African-American Spiritual boldly proclaims in song, "God has not brought us this far to leave us," we believe that this 150th anniversary celebration is just the beginning of what God has in mind for our Spiritan mission.

We join together in giving thanks for all that has been and come together with faith and hope in where the Spirit is leading us. Let us join together in praying that we continue to be led by the Holy Spirit to serve those most in need.

Cor Unum et Anima Una!



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