



# NATIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH ORGANIZATION

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## GOODWILL MESSAGE ON THE CELEBRATION OF ST. JOHN BOSCO FEAST

For God and Ghana!!!

As we gather to celebrate the feast day of St. John Bosco, let us reflect on the profound theme "**Jubilee Year; A time to proclaim Christ, hope for the Church and Ghana**" (cf. 1 Tim 1:1). This year, we are invited to renew our commitment to faith and community, echoing the call of Pope Francis to be "pilgrims of hope" in a world often clouded by challenges and despair;

### **A Time to Proclaim Christ**

In this Jubilee Year, we are called to proclaim Christ boldly, following the example of St. John Bosco, who dedicated his life to the youth and their spiritual growth. His mission was rooted in love and service, reminding us that every act of kindness can lead others to Christ. As we engage in our Arch/Dioceses/Vicariate, let us embody this same spirit by reaching out to those in need, sharing not only our resources but also the hope that comes from knowing Jesus.

### **Hope for the Church**

The theme of "hope" resonates deeply within our Church today. In a world filled with challenges, we must remember that hope does not disappoint (cf. Romans 5:5). The Jubilee Year invites us to renew our faith and trust in God's promises. By participating in this sacred time, we can strengthen our bonds as an organisation of believers and foster an environment where all feel welcomed and valued. Let us commit ourselves to prayer, reflection, and acts of mercy that will uplift our Church and inspire others.

### **Hope for Ghana**

As we celebrate this Jubilee Year in Ghana, let us also focus on the unique challenges faced by our nation. The call to unity and reconciliation is more vital than ever. We are reminded that forgiveness is at the heart of the Jubilee—just as God forgives us, we are called to forgive one another. This transformative act can heal divisions and promote peace within our country.

**In this spirit of hope, we are reminded of our shared responsibility to contribute to the renovation efforts we are embarking on. Just as St. John Bosco dedicated his life to uplifting the youth and fostering hope, we too are called to invest in our organisation's future. Your contributions are not merely financial; they are acts of faith that strengthen our Church and embody our collective hope for a brighter tomorrow.**

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MOTTO: *for God and Ghana.....*

In conclusion, as we honour St. John Bosco today, let us take inspiration from his life and work. May this Jubilee Year catalyse proclaiming Christ's love, nurturing hope within our Church, and fostering a spirit of reconciliation throughout Ghana. Together, let us embark on this journey as "Pilgrims of Hope," ready to make a meaningful impact in our world.

Long live the Catholic Church in Ghana

Long live Ghana CYO



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