



Prayer Focus

In May, we ask the intercession of Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Help of Christians for all the spiritual and logistical preparations for WYD08. We pray that Mary's "yes" to God's Word may be an example to all those in service of WYD08 and the Church.

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A Prayer of Consecration to Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Help of Christians

Mary, you are the Mother of Jesus, our Lord
He gave you, while on the cross, to be our Mother.
You are Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Help of Christians.
You were created full of grace by God, our loving Father.
The Holy Spirit has made you the greatest of Saints.
Your "yes" to God's Word teaches us how to receive the power of His Spirit.
Your presence in the upper room inspired the first disciples to trust completely in the promise of the risen Christ:
"You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses." (Acts 1:8)
I now consecrate myself entirely to your Immaculate Heart and through it to the Sacred Heart of Jesus your Son
so that I might be a witness to Jesus in the power of His Spirit.
Come Holy Spirit!
Renew in me the graces of my Baptism.
Pour out in abundance your gifts given in Confirmation, when the voice of the Father reaffirmed our original vocation "You are my beloved son." "You are my beloved daughter."
Provide a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit in us that I might be completely seized by God, who is love.
Mary, teach me to be attentive to the voice of God in silence, and to live lives of service in truth, joy and peace.
Totus Tuus. I am all yours. Amen.

Servant of God Pope John Paul II – Pray for us