

IN LOVING MEMORY
OF
+ SR. MARIE JEANNE LOALI WAY
who departed this life on August 5, 2023 in Kinshasa DR Congo.



*“I am the resurrection and the life, whoever believes in me,
even if he dies, will live and everyone who lives and believes in me will
never die” (Jn 11: 25 – 26).*

Sr. Marie Jeanne was the daughter of Mr. Djema Way Hilaire and Mrs Ifambe Bofunga Josephine. She was born on the 30th of October, 1962 in Efele District, Equator Province of the Democratic Republic of Congo, in the Archdiocese of Mbandaka-Bikoro. She was the second child of the family of eight children; six boys and two girls.

Sr. Marie Jeanne did her Primary School in Lokoku-Ndongo Bokote from 1969 – 1975. Her High School was in Bokote-Boende Territory of Tshuapa District from 1977 – 1979. She finished her high school in Bamanya Lycee Efoku from 1979 – 1983.

Sr. Marie Jeanne joined the Congregation of the Missionary Sisters of the Precious Blood in 1984 and was received into the Novitiate in 1985. She kept her baptismal name in the Novitiate. She made her first vows on August 20, 1987 in Nairobi, Kenya and did her final commitment on August 15, 1994 in Bamanya, Democratic Republic of Congo.

After her first Vows, she went to Congo for a short while and returned back to Kenya where she stayed one year for intensive Juniorate. On January 5, 1989, she was transferred back to Congo where she started her first mission work in Bamanya Dispensary from 1989 – 1990. From 1990 – 1992, she worked in Boteka Dispensary. From 1993 – 1995, She also was working in Bamanya Dispensary and in the Kitchen.

Sr. Marie Jeanne came to study in the Teachers’ Training School in Kinshasa from 1994 – 1996. After her study, she went to Boteka Sewing Department where she worked as a seamstress, training the young and adult women in sewing work. In 2000 she became the boarding Mistress in Bamanya until 2003.

On December 2, 2003, she was transferred to the East African Province to work in Upendo Orphanage in Moshi, Tanzania. In 2006, she came back to Congo to study French at the University of Congo in Mbandaka until 2009.

From 2009 – 2010, she was helping in the house in Bamanya. Sr. Marie Jeanne was appointed Superior of the Congo Area from 2010 – 2011. In 2011, she was transferred to Zimbabwe where she stayed in different communities, helping in different departments until 2015. She went to Uganda for a sabbatical in 2016.

On December 8, 2016 she went to Kinkole, outskirts of Kinshasa, to start a new community. In 2019, she was appointed directress of aspirants until she fell sick.

On May 11, 2017, she was also appointed TPS Directress until May 11, 2022.

At the end of 2022, she fell sick and was brought to Limete community for medical treatment.

Sr. Marie Jeanne's last days in Limete community, Kinshasa, were days of suffering while in sick bed. Whenever possible she tried to attend community prayers and Holy Mass. She was a strong motherly woman, a person who bore all pain silently; a person of people who was known as a good adviser. She loved and always encouraged the young Sisters to remain focused in the midst of all challenges. She appreciated all the help, especially towards the end of her life, given to her by the Sisters. Sr. Marie Jeanne was called home by her creator on August 5, 2023 at the University Hospital in Kinshasa.

Sr. Marie Jeanne, we are grateful for your gift to our Congregation and Region. You will always be in our hearts. Rest in peace Sr. Marie Jeanne as you have been redeemed with the Precious Blood of our Lord.

ADIEU, SOEUR MARIE JEANNE LOALI WAY CPS.