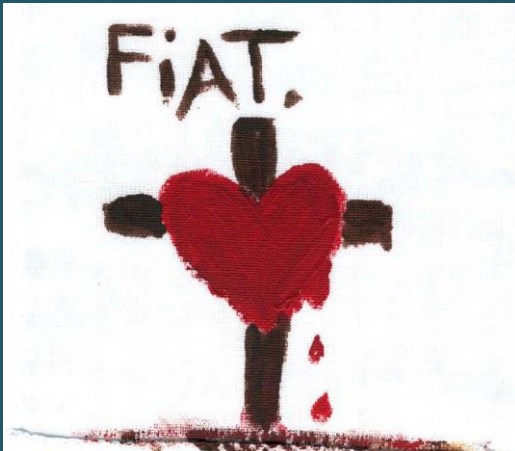




# Mary Kloska's 'Fiat Foundation'

*"Changing the world one little 'Fiat' at a time..."*

## Financial Report 2021-2022



**Mission:** *The mission of the 'Fiat Foundation' is to provide funding for free Catholic materials to those physically or spiritually most in need both here in the US and abroad. The primary focus is on helping priests, religious, foreign missions and persecuted Christians through providing free copies of Mary Kloska's books, art, music, retreats and catechetical materials.*

**Where we work:** *The 'Fiat Foundation' is alive and active in 18 countries -providing books to the poorest of the poor and to those who are most persecuted and abused because of their Catholic Faith, gender and/or age.*

- 1.) **Pakistan:** *Since the Fall of 2021, we have printed **12,000 books** in Pakistan in the Urdu language. Mary's translator there added, "And I would like to add that these books, so far, have converted **35 non-Christians to Christianity and 55 non-Catholics to Catholics, more than ten abortion have been denied. About 800 kids are part of Children of the Cross [and more groups are being added weekly]. Countless women accepted Jesus' love and dignity of being women."***
- 2.) **Afghanistan:** *We have printed and snuck into the underground Catholic Church in Afghanistan **6,000 books** in the Dari language, icons of Our Lady and sent exorcized salt for the persecuted Christians. We have 5 small groups of children who meet in secret to pray that are part of our 'Children of the Cross' prayer groups.*
- 3.) **Nigeria:** *We have printed **11,600 books** and distributed them to seminaries, seminarians, priests, religious, bishops, catechists, schools, laity and colleges -and 'The Holiness of Womanhood' is even being taught at Islamic Colleges. We receive countless witnesses of abuse being stopped, prayer groups formed and*

*Catholics whose lives are threatened by Muslim radicals being strengthened in their battle in the face of death. The books have been distributed both in cities and in rural communities that took the seminarians days to travel to by foot, boat and motorbike.*

- 4.) **Uganda:** *We printed 200 copies of ‘The Holiness of Womanhood’ that was distributed to young people in schools. We also have a religious brother and seminarian translating ‘The Holiness of Womanhood’ into Rutooro and Runyankole.*
- 5.) **Ethiopia:** *We printed 100 copies of ‘Mornings with Mary: A Rosary Prayer Book’ and 100 copies of ‘Raising Children of the Cross’ to be used by the St. Mary’s Orphans and Street Children Home, College Students and Prisoners to form ‘Children of the Cross’ Prayer groups -hoping to bring peace to their war-torn country. We also are providing them with rosaries.*
- 6.) **Cameroon:** *At the end of 2022 we began working with a Cistercian transitional deacon to print 500 copies of ‘The Holiness of Womanhood’ and 500 copies of ‘Raising Children of the Cross’ to be used in catechesis and to form Children of the Cross prayer groups -hoping to heal the deep wounds and abuses caused against women and children in their country. We also have a priest in French Canada translating ‘The Holiness of Womanhood’ into French to be distributed to the French speaking part of the Cameroon.*
- 7.) **Sudan:** *We began a project with a priest to print ‘The Holiness of Womanhood’ for the persecuted Christians in the Muslim areas of the Sudan. Shortly after the project started he was diagnosed with a brain tumor and we put the project on hold -providing small funds*

*for his medicine -hoping after his recovery we can continue. We have also sent some of Mary's books to the sisters she used to work with in Tanzania who are presently serving in the Sudan.*

- 8.) **Malawi:** *Two seminarians offered to translate 'The Holiness of Womanhood' into Chichewa and Tumbuka and we are waiting to hear on their progress.*
- 9.) **Tanzania, Kenya and Ghana:** *We have sent individual books to sisters in Tanzania and presently have people in all three countries looking to price out printers so we can start projects there.*
- 10.) **Mexico:** *We have printed 1,000 copies of 'The Holiness of Womanhood' in Spanish in Monterrey and it is being used (and distributed) by a psychologist who works for Catholic Charities there.*
- 11.) **Columbia:** *We have printed 1,000 copies of 'The Holiness of Womanhood' in Spanish also being distributed by a psychologist who works in Columbia. He also does mission work in Brazil and has arranged a Portuguese translation of the book to be started. The books in Columbia especially help the women who are the greatest victims of the drug war in the country.*
- 12.) **Belize:** *Our Spanish translator is from Guatemala but serves in a mission in Belize. We have mailed her copies of books and also sent larger numbers with travelers from the US to the mission there to be used by the priests and religious. Unfortunately, printing in Belize is more expensive than the US and shipping is expensive and unpredictable (often things are stolen) so we haven't been able to find a solution to getting her*

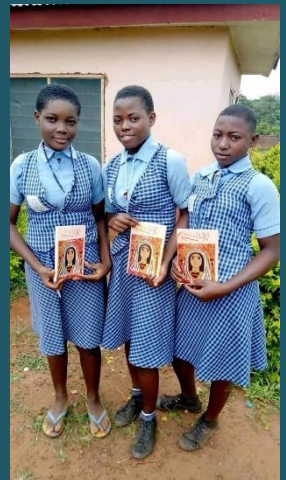
*Spanish books (or our other English books) to the missions that have requested them.*

- 13.) **Puerto Rico:** *There is a priest who is a missionary in Puerto Rico who offered to arrange printing and distribution of Mary's Spanish books there -he is away on mission in another country right now, but when he returns we will launch the project.*
- 14.) **Brazil:** *We are presently working on a Portuguese translation of 'The Holiness of Womanhood' and once that is completed we will begin printing our project in Brazil.*
- 15.) **India:** *We have provided copies of Mary's books to several priests/retreat centers in India. And all of her books are available for very reasonable prices on the Indian website [pothi.com](http://pothi.com). We also just finished with a Romi Konkani translation of 'Out of the Darkness' which is being made available to both Goans and Mangaloreans who speak this language.*
- 16.) **Poland:** *"The Holiness of Womanhood" and "Out of the Darkness" are both available in Polish both here in the United States as well as in Poland. Unfortunately, Amazon greatly increased the price in Poland, so we are searching for new vendors to print and distribute these books at a reasonable price. We have provided copies of these to many people individually.*
- 17.) **Russia (Uzbekistan, Ukraine, Georgia):** *"Out of the Darkness" is presently being translated by a Catholic lady in Uzbekistan into Russian and then will be distributed throughout all four of these countries. We have already given Polish translations to people who read Polish in Russia and Georgia.*



18.) **USA:** We have provided copies of several books to various Bishops. Each United States Seminary has a copy of a full set of Mary Kloska's books in their libraries. We mailed every cloistered convent in the US copies of 'House of Gold' and in return we receive the offering of prayers from thousands of contemplative sisters for our work and persecuted brothers and sisters all over the world.

**What we do:** Translation, Printing, Distribution of books (because shipping costs are so much, we work with local trustworthy people to print and distribute the books in the countries where we serve). Also... those on the ground use the books to evangelize, give talks, retreats and start Children of the Cross prayer groups (Children's Prayer Groups that meet weekly or monthly to pray for priests, persecuted Christians and our ministry). We presently have almost 1000 children in these prayer groups in Pakistan. We have five groups of children who meet in hiding in Afghanistan. And we have countless prayer groups throughout Nigeria as well. These books are used in pro-life work -preventing abortions and healing women after abortions. They have been used by the government in the Middle East for peace-keeping. And they have formed and inspired both youth and adults in a life of Catholic holiness and missionary zeal both in their own communities and beyond.



**Who we serve:** *Mary Kloska's heart and mission is particularly for the 'poorest of the poor' -the most vulnerable, abused,*



**in danger, broken and needy.** *Our books are most often distributed for free, although sometimes we collect a 'donation' if possible to offset additional future printings. We have given books to seminaries, Bishops, priests, religious sisters and many seminarians in Nigeria and the US. We often provide spiritual material to areas where Christians are persecuted and in danger -and these places are also where women and children have been threatened with grave abuse (often beaten, raped, and spit upon because of their gender). Some books have been given to Muslims who have found healing in their identity, used them in courses in three Muslim Colleges and they have converted many.*

**What has this cost?** *Both in 2021 and 2022 this ministry has cost just about \$30,000/year. We did this at first without having a non-for-profit organization and so we sent the money through WCAT radio which partners with En Route Media and Books (Mary's publisher). From January 2022-March 31, 2022 we raised (and spent) just about \$8,000 through WCAT radio and then with the establishment of the Fiat Foundation on March 31, 2022-December 31, 2022 we raised and spent \$\$24,456.99.*

*The following is a break-down of how much we have spent in each country through the Fiat Foundation from March-December 2022:*

**Nigeria:** Nov 29- \$1,139.99, Aug 31- \$2000 **TOTAL: \$3,139.99**

**Uganda:** Aug 31- **\$600**

**Ethiopia:** Dec 2: **\$1,230.99**

**Pakistan and Afghanistan:** Dec 23 -\$1660, Dec 12- \$310, Oct 24- \$508, Oct 19- \$1008, Oct 17- \$1500, Sept 15- \$1000, Aug 31- \$2200, July 19- \$1500, April 20-\$406.99 **TOTAL: \$10,092.99**

**US Books:** Aug 19- \$2939.71, June 14 (cloistered sisters)- \$1255.80, \$777.40 **TOTAL: \$4,972.91**

**US Miscellaneous:** Postage, printing and envelopes for book projects **-\$1,236.39**, technology and bank fees **-\$92.99**

**Sudan:** We started a book project and our priest contact discovered a brain tumor within two weeks of our beginning so the project has been put on hold -in the meantime he couldn't afford the immediate treatment to keep him alive and we sent money for medication for Fr Oloo **-\$99.75**

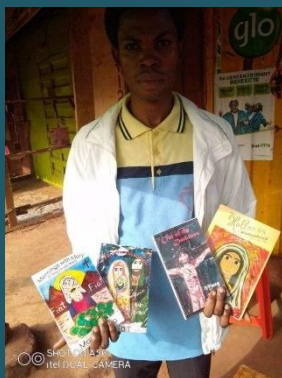
**Mexico** -Feb. 10 **-\$4,000** (not through Fiat Foundation -we sent it through WCAT radio foundation in March before we were approved.)

**Columbia project-** money sent to him in Brazil- June 21- \$1507.99, June 22- \$1507.99 plus transfer fee for first attempt on 6/13- \$14.99 **TOTAL: \$3,030.97**

**What about administrative costs?** *This is the unique thing about the Fiat Foundation -we don't really have any administrative costs. Every penny that we raise is for a specific mission/work. If we need \$1200 to print 1000 books in Pakistan, then we raise \$1200. Mary donates about 40 hours a week to running this ministry and is paid nothing. The translators (except for our Muslim translator in Afghanistan and our Russian translator in Uzbekistan) donate their translations. Those who organize printing and distribution also donate their time. Both Mary Kloska and En Route Media and Books have forgone any royalties for the books printed and distributed -we do everything at cost and through donations simply to provide healing, comfort and enrichment to the neediest souls in the world.*



**Why is this important?** In order to strengthen, heal and comfort our modern-day martyrs; in order to heal and educate women, the men who abuse them and children (the future of the world) in the Church's teaching.... These books have inspired modern-day youth to be missionaries and there is great fruit from our prayer groups formed by these books. This prayer heals. Prayer gives peace, strength, wisdom and through prayers the people on the ground are inspired as to how to help their own people the best way. In Pakistan even priests said they didn't know the prayers in Mary's prayer books -her books are the first places in the Middle East where Christians are learning to pray the rosary in their own language. Never before has the St. Michael prayer, the Litanies of the Sacred Heart, Precious Blood, Blessed Mother and St. Joseph been prayed there. In 2000 years no one has ever taught people in Afghanistan how to pray the Rosary -in their own language of Dari. Seminarians in Africa are given the tools they need to go and rescue women and children from abuse. And persecuted/threatened Catholics (often priests and religious) are given strength to be faithful even unto death as they are daily threatened with martyrdom for their faith.



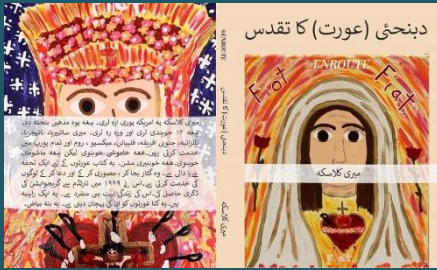
**Why provide books?** *“Man does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from God...”* (Matthew 4:4)

We provide books because it is the life bread of the soul... When we feed someone spirituality, we help to connect them with God Who

thereafter takes care of all of their needs directly as they meet with Him in prayer.

Secondly, our books reach people and places we could never possibly go because of danger and persecution. As St. Hilary said:

**St. Hilary of Poitiers:** *"Banished though we may be," he wrote, "we will speak with books; and the Word of God, which cannot be held in captivity, will make holy excursions everywhere."*



Lastly, a book is a seed that has potential for God to use in His own time and way. Is a heart closed to Him? He will wait with the truth in a book. Is a heart afraid or too prideful to approach a person? A book sits modestly and peacefully -patiently teaching and guiding a soul God's ways. Through books we are healing hearts wounded by the past, strengthening and guiding them in the present and offering hope to more people than we can fathom in the future. We are placing Truth where there is none -and offering the Love of Christ where people have never encountered it before. St. John Bosco explains:

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*"A good book can find its way into homes where the priest is not welcome. It will be kept as a souvenir or accepted as a present even by a bad person. A good book enters a home without blushing. If rebuffed, it is not discouraged. If taken up and read, it teaches the truth calmly. If set aside it does not complain, but patiently awaits the time when conscience may rekindle the desire to know the truth."*

*It may perhaps be left to collect dust on a table or on a library shelf, and given no attention for a long time. But then comes the hour of solitude, of sadness, of sorrow, of boredom, of need for relaxation, of anxiety about the future-and this faithful friend shakes off its dust, opens its pages, and, as was the case with St. Augustine and St. Ignatius, it may bring about a conversion. A good book is gentle with those that are hampered by human respect and addresses them without arousing suspicion in anyone. It is on familiar terms with good people, and is always ready to make meaningful conversation and to travel along with them at any time anywhere.*

*How many souls have been saved, preserved from error, encouraged in the practice of virtue through good books. The person who gives a good book as a gift may only barely succeed in awakening the thought of God thereby. In most instances, however, the good that is done is much greater. Once brought into a family, if it is not read by the person to whom it was given, the book will be read by a son or a daughter, by a friend or a neighbor.*

*In a small town that book may touch the lives of one hundred people. Only God knows how much good a book can do in a city, in a public library, in a workers' association, in a hospital, where the friendly gift of a book is much appreciated."*

*(Letter of March 19, 1885)*



# Testimonies

**From Pakistan -Sunday, April 25, 2021:** *“Mary, thank you very much for this work. The work you have done is really big...One of my community members (She is a teacher) said, ‘Mary Kloska is helping and giving us peace, hope and light as our Mother Mary.’ And when she said this she had tears, because her brother was falsely accused and murdered a few years back. She and her family could not find peace and justice. Now after reading your books she acknowledged that her family is finding some hope and peace. A big thanks to you from me and my whole community.”*

**From Nigeria -March 14 and 25, 2021:** *“I have arranged with an Islamic college to give some to their teachers and students. The Imam has given him a go ahead to come give some copies at the mosque too. Muslims here in Nigeria lack great respect for women....your book also reached a group of nurses and high school students in Northern Nigeria. These are Muslim girls.”*

**From Pakistan -June 4, 2021:** *“I have contacted seven priests who are waiting for your books and ready to use them in groups, parishes, communities and hopefully seminaries as well...I never thought that your books would become a huge mission in my country. I completely believe this is God’s will. Your books are now touching the hearts of Christians, persecuted Christians, Muslims, other denominations and next month I am planning to meet a few Hindus...”*

**Pakistan -July 2021:** *“Thank you very much Mary Kloska. Now a really large number of people (especially women and children) know you here. Many families have been converted by you. Many men have changed their mind after reading your books. Many children have found meaning in church after going through your books. Your books, your voice, your message is like a prophet in my place. You have brought families close to God...Thank you very much, Mary. Your books are giving hope and light.”*

**Pakistan -August 15, 2021:** *“...I was able to have a very beautiful book launching ceremony for “A Heart Frozen in the Wilderness” on the 14<sup>th</sup> of August... It was our Independence Day. Many participants shared that it is our Independence Day but Christians are not free and independent yet. One lady who has read all of your books said that ‘after reading Mary Kloska’s books, now finally we are getting free. Now we know the real dignity of women and person.’ ...After this launching a group came to me and they mentioned their desire to go on a mission (like you) ...”*

**Pakistan -August, 2021:** *“This is Shahid. He converted in Pakistan last year after reading your book ‘Out of the Darkness’. He died this morning. He asked*

me to read him excerpts from this book as he was on his deathbed. We both had tears in our eyes. He knows of our project for Afghanistan and was so happy to hear that the people suffering there would have the chance to be strengthened in their faith (and perhaps come to convert) as he did. He promised his prayers for this project.”

**Afghanistan -August 2021:** *“I have received a few messages from Afghanistan. These people are really waiting for these books. These people are in pain and suffering so they need to read something that gives them comfort. So, I will complete this task at any cost...”*

**Pakistan -December 11, 2021:** *“Today there was a press conference here in the Church of Pakistan. Many prominent people participated in this conference. Even the Prime Minister’s representative was there. I also went there and I was happy to bring your book ‘Out of the Darkness’. It was a good and very appropriate place to share this book as there were representatives for the government and all other Christian’s denominations. Many leaders asked for your book and I promised them to give it before Christmas.... Peace is already flowing and will flow in the Middle East through these books.”*

**Pakistan -March 13, 2022:** *“I am happy to share with you that we were able to have an evening with nuns about ‘The Holiness of Womanhood’ and ‘Out of the Darkness’. These sisters were overjoyed and really cried with sorrow to read these books for the very first time in their lives. One of the senior sisters said that every religious sister should have these two books.”*

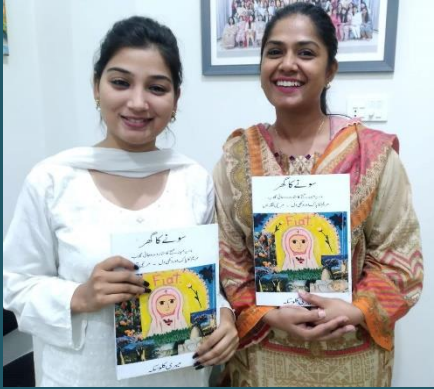
**Pakistan -March 20, 2022:** *“I shared your life story today... This parish is situated in a small village, quite poor and lacking in facilities. Majority of the people are poor and hopeless. People do not have enough to eat. This is amazing that in this small village God used your life stories and your mission experiences. Your sufferings, sorrows and tough times in Siberia gave meaning to their suffering. You healed them...You do not know these people, but you have touched them. You have given them a ray of hope and joy. In this small village where young girls are not allowed to get an education, they are not treated nicely, these young girls are dreaming to follow you and become missionaries.”*

**Prolife work in Pakistan -2022:** *“‘The Holiness of Womanhood’ is saving unborn souls. In one very poor village there was a couple. They wanted to go through abortion only because they were poor... They had already taken different medicines recommended by fake doctors. Thank God I met them. After great struggles and challenges they were ready to say no to abortion. Yesterday... she gave birth to a premature daughter.... Immediately the mother asked me to go to her newborn daughter and pray for her with your book. The mother said she would like to name her ‘Maria.’”*



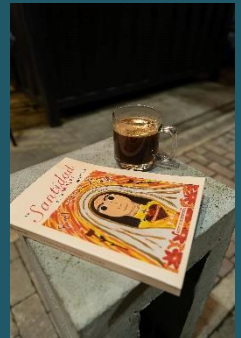
# Goals (and present needs) for 2023-2024:

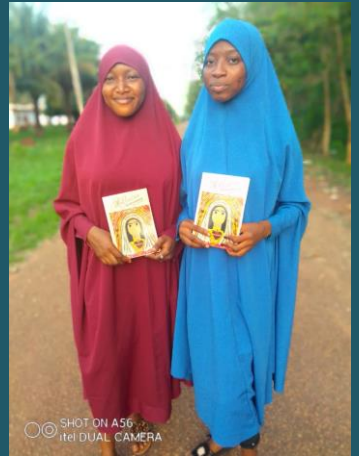
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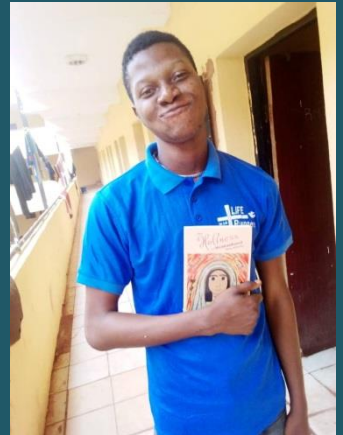
1.) **Central America Project: \$31,000** 1000 copies of the Spanish version of 'Out of the Darkness' and 'In Our Lady's Shadow' for Mexico and Columbia. Each 1000 copies cost \$3-4000. We need \$7000 for each country and a total of \$14,000 of Spanish copies. Our Puerto Rico Project will also need \$10,000 for all three

Spanish books. We also need 100 copies of several books for Belize equaling \$7000. So, all together for Central America we need **\$31,000.**





2.) **Nigeria Project: \$3,600** We need another 2000 copies of 'The Holiness of Womanhood,' as well as 1000 copies of 'Raising Children of the Cross' printed for Nigeria. This will cost **\$3600**. In Nigeria thousands of books have been given for free to many seminaries, schools, as well as a few Islamic collages who are teaching it in their curriculum.



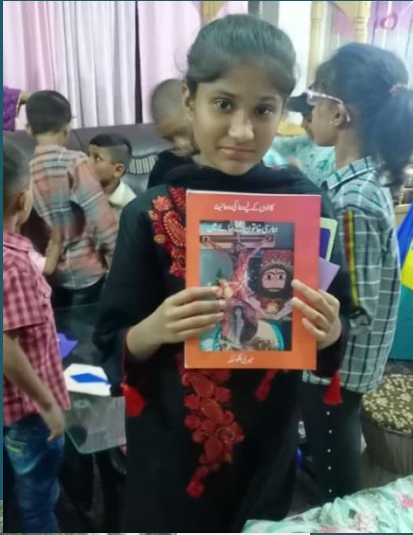
3.) **Cameroon Project: \$5,600** Once the French translation of 'The Holiness of Womanhood' is complete we will need \$1600 to print 1000 copies for the country. We also need \$4000 to print 500 copies of each of Mary's 5 books not already available there.

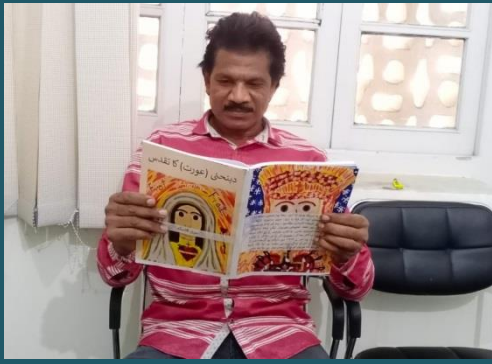
- 4.) **Ethiopia Project: \$3,600** It is very expensive to print in Ethiopia because of the war -almost \$6/book -and yet the people are starving for spiritual food. We would like to raise another \$3600 to print 600 more books for the mission there.
- 5.) **Sudan, Kenya and Ghana Projects: \$6,000** As of right now we have not received price quotes from the printers in these countries -but we are looking at needing at least \$2000/country to start our missions there. That is a total of \$6000
- 6.) **Russian, Ukrainian and Uzbekistan Project: \$10,000** We also have not received price quotes from these countries yet -but we are looking to need about \$10,000 for projects in all three countries.
- 7.) **Brazil Project: \$4,000** We have not received a price quote from the printer yet, but we are looking to need about \$4000 to print 1000 copies of the Portuguese translation of 'The Holiness of Womanhood' in Brazil.
- 8.) **US Project: \$2,000** During the Summer of 2023 we would like to send a copy of "In Our Lady's Shadow: the Spirituality of Praying for Priests" to all of the cloistered sisters in the US. We would need about 220 copies of the book, plus postage, envelopes and printing of a letter and labels. The total for this project is expected to be about \$2000.



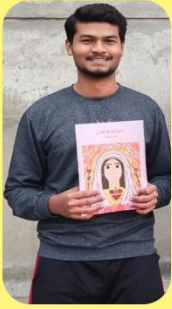


9.) **Pakistan Project: \$14,000** We have provided thousands and thousands of books for the persecuted Christians in Pakistan. We even snuck 6000 books into Afghanistan. The Pakistani people are very resourceful –each book distributed has the capacity to reach hundreds and thousands of souls. They often gather illiterate rural women together and read excerpts aloud. They form workshops and retreats on each of the books. Truly the heart of the Pakistani Church has been formed by the writing in these books. We need 1000 more copies printed of all 7 books –and each 1000 copies cost about \$2000. So, in total we need **\$14,000** for this project. These Christians risk their lives in order to print and distribute this work. When we have asked them if they truly want to take such risks they answered, **'Mary, to be a Christian in Pakistan is certain death. But your writing gives healing, strength, hope and meaning to our death.'**









My name is Suleman Vincent. I am a student of Fsc. I am very active in youth and church activities. Once I was studying the book of Genesis in the church. And the leader said that men and women are created on the image of God. He also tried to explain this concept, which truly could not understand.

But when I read this book, I was able to understand that women are really created on the image of God. Yesterday I went back to that pastor and said that today I understood the meaning of image of God in women. I gave him this book to read. I also encouraged my class fellows in the church to read this book especially young girls.

And this morning, after church service, my pastor bought 10 books for poor women who wanted to read but could not afford. Thank you very much pastor.

Thank you very much Sister Mary for this beautiful book. And thank you to Sir Aqif Shahzad who translated it and made it possible that I could understand it very well.



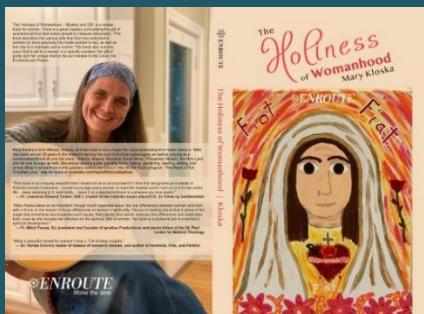




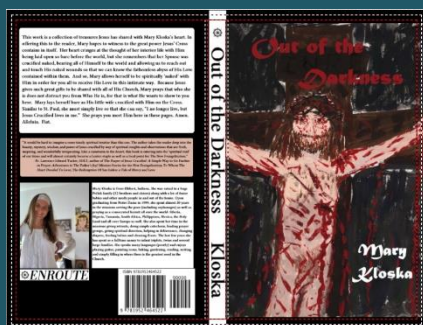
# Which books are distributed?

1.) **“The Holiness of Womanhood”** is about the vocation and dignity of women.

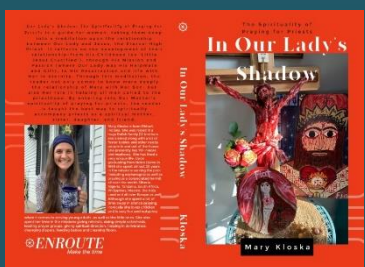
Fr. Mitch Pakwa said: *“Mary’s insights into the spiritual life of women offer far more insight than I can...Her book is a profound aid in a woman’s spiritual development.”*



2.) **“Out of the Darkness”** is about the interior sufferings of Christ in His Passion. Persecuted Christians have found great healing and strength in this book!



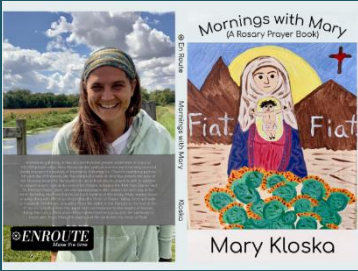
3.) **“In Our Lady’s Shadow: The Spirituality of Praying for Priests”** is about Our Lady’s relationship with Jesus, the Eternal High Priest and how we can enter into that relationship as we try to support priests with our prayer.



4.) **“A Heart Frozen in the Wilderness: Reflections of a Siberian Missionary”** is a book all about Mary’s missionary life in Russia and Siberia. This book has greatly inspired Christians in the

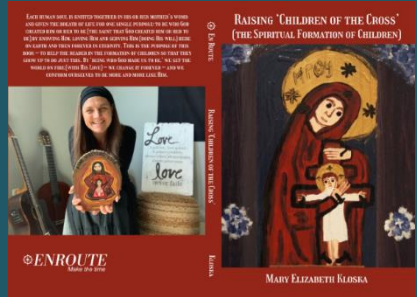


Middle East to be more missionary.

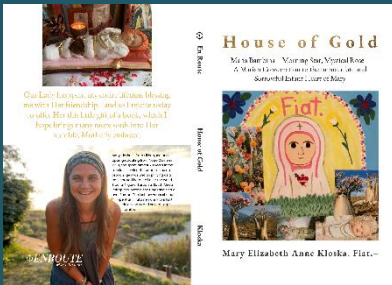


5.) **“Mornings with Mary: A Rosary Prayer Book”** is a book of prayers. Many of these prayers have been translated for the first time ever into Urdu (in Pakistan) and Dari (in Afghanistan) in this book.

6.) **“Raising Children of the Cross: the Spiritual Formation of Children”** has to do with the most important elements in spiritually forming children.



This book has sparked an Apostolate of prayer in Pakistan where children (Catholics, Christians, Hindus and Muslims) meet weekly to pray for priests and persecuted Christians.



7.) **“House of Gold”** is a Marian Consecration to the ‘Maria Bambina’ - the Infant Immaculate and Sorrowful Heart of Mary, especially under the titles of Mystic Rose and Star of the Sea.

## **A final Plea...**

Please pray for protection of all those who are involved in this ministry, for fruitfulness of God’s grace among all of these people, for God to send generous hearts to donate funds and for Him to bless abundantly all of our donors, translators, printers, distributors, catechists and all involved in the Fiat Foundation!

For more information about Mary's mission work (and vocation) please see:

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