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Pray the Rosary

MARIA ESPERANZA – SERVANT OF GOD & LONG ISLAND, NY

## HOW IT ALL BEGAN

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By Fino Giordano

### AFTER DINNER

When I returned home that evening, I did not sleep well at all, nor the following night. I struggled to remove everything that happened that day from my mind and memory, especially prophesy related to me by Maria. I told myself this is all **private revelation** and I am not obligated to believe any of it. It could all be a mistake plus who am I but a sinner without any credentials. I was literally trying not to believe the seer of a church- approved apparition site. We are only required to believe **Public Revelation (...the Bible, the precepts of the Church as defined by our Pope and the Magisterium)**.

In all the years I have been studying apparitions, I concluded that 99.99% of all alleged apparitions are false. Some truly seem authentic and I have been fooled. That taught me a good lesson. The Great Deceiver is just that, a great liar. If you spend much of your time reading about alleged apparitions and their prophesies, you must double that amount of time in prayer and in reading the Bible, the lives of the saints or perhaps the very interesting Catholic Catechism, *Libera Editrice Vaticana*. As one confessor said to me, "Satan will do all he can to keep you away from the truth by using very attractive counterfeit apparitions, **writings** and seers. Don't fall for it!"

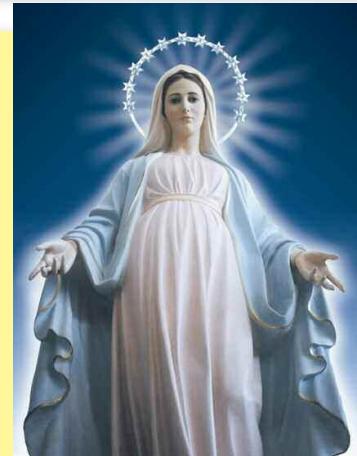
Unfortunately, I frequently receive enticing emails which are so well-written, often including pictures of Jesus Christ, His Holy Mother, the angels or saints with a prayer attached, which I am instructed to recite and send on to x amount of people, and within a certain amount of time "I will receive all kinds of blessings." This is another tactic of the Devil, **SUPERSTITION**. Please read your Catechism. People who send these emails mean well but do not understand the deception or their Faith very well. We live in an era of "fast everything" - fast food, fast answer from God, etc... Please do not confuse these chain letters and emails with a legitimate novena where God's will is at the center of the prayer.

These thoughts were running through my mind during the time following the day and evening I spent with Maria. Maria Esperanza, Servant of God, is not a servant of Satan; my anxiety was not from God. On the third day I received a phone call from a priest friend from the Boston area, Father Edward



FR. Edward  
McDonnough

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Please join us in Celebrating  
30th Anniversary of the Alleged  
Medjugorje Apparitions

Thursday, June 23  
at St. Paul the Apostle Church  
Route 107 - 2534 Cedar Swamp Rd  
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Phone 516.935.1880  
7:00 PM Rosary 7:30 PM Mass  
Celebrant Rev. Robert Clerkin

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Information Dolores Santangelo  
516.903.6630  
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Betania XIII  
A Coalition of All Marian Devotions  
Will obey the Magesterium's final  
decision on Medjugorje.



### MESSAGES OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MEDJUGORJE

**Message of April 25, 2011** "Dear children! As nature gives the most beautiful colors of the year; I also call you to witness with your life and to help others to draw closer to my Immaculate Heart, so that the flame of love for the Most High may sprout in their hearts. I am with you and I unceasingly pray for you that your life may be a reflection of Heaven here on earth. Thank you for having responded to my call."

**Message of May 25, 2011** "Dear children! My prayer today is for all of you who seek the grace of conversion. You knock on the door of my heart, but without hope and prayer, in sin, and without the Sacrament of Reconciliation with God. Leave sin and decide, little children, for holiness. Only in this way can I help you, hear your prayers and seek intercession before the Most High. Thank you for having responded to my call."

McDonough, CSSR, the famous healing priest. (*deceased Feb. 16, 2008.*). Father asked, "Fino, I understand you spent a day with Maria Esperanza, what did you think? She spent time with me when she was in Boston."

I told him everything you just read. I was anxious, a bit frightened and uncomfortable. He said to me, "I felt the same way!" Father's answer comforted me and I immediately felt somewhat normal again. Here we have a saintly, very humble healing priest who had the same reactions as me, a struggling member of the laity. I was able to sleep better that night.

Remember now, this all happened eighteen years ago. I believe everything was the work of the Holy Spirit right to this present day. We have received thousands of

letters over the years asking for prayers and so many have been happily answered. Others are now asking when and where the Betania XIII sanctuary will be located.

Once God sends us the proper benefactors through Our Holy Mother and Maria Esperanza, we will look for a location on Long Island. The sanctuary will establish the charism of all the Betanias in the world; the healing of families, especially for children and fraternal reconciliation, all accomplished in the spirit of humility and joy. I hope to have a kitchen for the poor, a chapel or church dedicated to God the Father, dormitories for retreats, and a replica of the final home of Our Holy Mother on earth, as in Ephesus, Turkey, built on the property also.

Once the Betania XIII Center has the funds and is ready to be constructed on Long Island, it will only be with the full approval and blessings of our bishop. Pray for this to

happen soon: so many families are seeking spiritual assistance.

Come and be an Apostle of Betania XIII. We meet on the third Friday of each month at The Church of St. Mary, 110 Bryant Ave; Roslyn, NY; 7:45 PM. Become, as Maria Esperanza says, an "**Apostle of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.**" We celebrate Mass when possible or Benediction and the rosary followed by a short talk on Betania XIII updates, witnessing and refreshments.

Maria Esperanza, Servant of God, has given us a title, "**Apostles of the Immaculate Heart of Mary**, Virgin and Mother, Reconciler of All Nations and People."

Call Deacon Ed Case, 516-621-1172 or Joan Grau, 516-801-1035 if you have any questions about the meetings.

*Next meeting June 17th*

## MEDJUGORJE - A PLACE OF PEACE & CONVERSION

Over the years we have published many testimonials from two popes, cardinals, bishops, and priests from around the world who feel Medjugorje is for real. In all cases, they say we must wait for church approval before we can make any conclusive statement.

This is the first time in my research that a commission from the Vatican is conducting an investigation into an alleged apparition site. The decision is usually made by the local bishop. In this case, there has been so much controversy between the local bishop and the Franciscans at Medjugorje that a commission was established.

Professed religious are human beings and sometimes personalities conflict and decision-making becomes impossible. One of the customary criteria in the investigation of such phenomena is that the apparitions have to cease before a decision is made. In this case, it is alleged that Our Holy Mother is still appearing in Medjugorje.

**The Vatican position is that dioceses should not organize official pilgrimages to Medjugorje. Catholics are free to visit the town and pray there and the Diocese of Mostar-Duvano and the Franciscans should organize pastoral care for them.**

In my opinion, Medjugorje is a place where Our Holy Mother has made her presence well known. The fruits are abundant; healings, conversions, and over 500 vocations to the priesthood and religious life have been recorded due to visits to Medjugorje.

About twenty years ago I received a phone

call from Father Joseph Langford, the priest in charge of the male religious for the late Blessed Mother Teresa. He informed me that he had received funds to send people to Medjugorje and asked me to help him until the money was exhausted.

I arranged one trip I will never forget for a mother and child, both with the AIDS virus, to join a pilgrimage to Medjugorje. After all the arrangements were made, the spiritual director, a priest, called me and said he would not allow the mother and daughter on the trip. When I asked why, he explained that "it would be an imposition to all the other pilgrims." I was humiliated, shocked and not exactly patient with his attitude. What was I to tell the woman?

I told the mother there was a problem and that I would get her on the next pilgrimage and she was very understanding. A few weeks later I placed her on another pilgrimage. About two months later I received a phone call from the mother. She informed me that after several medical examinations, both she and her child no longer had AIDS.

There are thousands of stories about Medjugorje. I am sure the commission has heard many of them. Whatever the commission decides, we must be obedient to the decision, whether we like it or not.

*PS: Father Joseph Langford died last year and I never found out how he got my name. I forgot the name of the spiritual director who refused to take the ill mother and child to Medjugorje. I hope he reads this testimony.*  
Fino Giordano



*Father Joseph Langford &  
Bl. Mother Teresa*

# PRAYERS WRITTEN BY MARIA ESPERANZA

They have Nihil Obstat and Imprimatur. Permission given to reproduce by Rev. Timothy Byerely

Betania XIII has reproduced this prayer into a beautiful prayer card. If you wish a few copies, let us know and we will send them to you.

## Plea to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Virgin and Mother, Reconciler of all People and Nations

O Mary, Our Lady, here we are to offer you our hearts.

O Mary, brighter than the sun, moon and stars, you have come to look for us so we may accompany you in spreading the message. It is a message of love, of life... life for man so he may convert in this era in which the sun of justice of your Divine Son Jesus Christ, King, and Savior, will shine. Save us, save us in a new world.

O Mary, Mother of the Church, Our Lady, here we are seeking your soft, sweet, delicate and tender loving glance so we may be your humble servants.

O Mary, Our Lady, we offer you our constant daily service, with the constancy of the apostles of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Virgin and Mother, Reconciler of all People and Nations...People will proclaim you, look for you and will meet you in one embrace, it is the embrace of a people who want to serve you, love you and have you be acknowledged as their Mother. Amen.



**April 2, 2011,** Mirjana received her monthly apparition at the Blue Cross, surrounded by a big crowd covering Podbrdo. After the apparition, she gave us the following message:

*"Dear children! With motherly love I desire to open the heart of each of you and to teach you personal unity with the Father. To accept this, you must comprehend that you are important to God and that He is calling you individually. You must comprehend that your prayer is a conversation of a child with the Father; that love is the way by which you must set out – love for God and for your neighbor. That is, my children, the love that has no boundaries; that is the love that emanates from truth and goes to the end. Follow me, my children, so that also others, in recognizing the truth and love in you, may follow you. Thank you."*

The Blessed Mother invited us once more to pray for our shepherds. She said, "They have a special place in my heart, they represent my Son."

## Plea to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Here we are; come, Mary our Mother, come. We have recourse to you, to your heart so it may open and we may all enter.



Immaculate heart of Mary, be my refuge and the refuge of all my dear ones.

May your patient, humble, generous and compassionate heart be our armor of faith, trust and love in you.

Heart of Mary, sanctify us.

Heart of Mary, free us.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, deliver us.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, bless us.

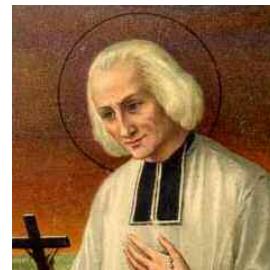
Immaculate Heart of Mary, lead us by the hand and guide us.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, give us your loving glance so we may rejoice.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, watch over our families and homes. Sanctify our families. Deliver us from the anxieties and miseries we may have. Aid us. Convert us into children of grace. Save us.

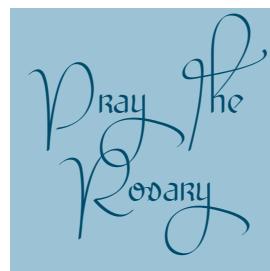
Take us by the hand to take shelter in your heart and enlighten us.

These petitions we make are so you may wash us, bathe us and purify us with the waters of Jerusalem and the waters from the Jordan River. Give us the new baptism we need right now to do away with all the obstacles that exist in Betania. Especially to do away with all our anxieties and miseries, and with all that is not right. May all good flourish and may all wrong done to us be destroyed. Amen.



## FROM THE HEART OF ST. JOHN VIANNEY

It is impossible to meditate with devotion upon the Mysteries of the Rosary and live in a state of sin.



We ought to pray like little children of four years old, who have no guile. They tell their Mother everything.

*Matthew-18:3 "Amen I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven." Jesus Christ*



## Medjugorje Pilgrimage

June 20-28, 2011

\$2,549 per person from NY  
\$1,149 Post Tour to Rome and Assisi  
to July 2  
Contact Eva Relyea  
800.206.8687 Ext. 107

If you wish to be on our FREE mailing list  
call DeGina DeLuca 516-676-1669

## ALL ARE WELCOME!



Betania XIII meetings are presently being held on the 3rd Friday of the month at St. Mary's Church, 110 Bryant Avenue, Roslyn, NY – 7:45pm Mass or Benediction (when possible) and Rosary. Update Session on Betania XIII and Refreshments

Contact: Deacon Ed Case – 516.621.1172  
or Joan & Tony Grau 516.801.1035 Weather Permitting  
Next Meeting June 17th ~ All Are Welcome



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PO Box 117, Glenwood Landing, NY 11547

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"If you would abandon yourselves to me, you will not even feel the passage from this life to the next life. You will begin to live the life of Heaven from this earth." -BVM 1986



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## First Saturday is Parish Day:

Lindenhurst. Our Lady of Perpetual Help, starts 7:40am  
Hicksville, Our Lady of Mercy, starts 7:40 AM.  
Center Moriches, St. John the Evangelist, starts 7:40am  
Glen Cove, St.Patrick, starts 8:40 AM  
Manhasset, St. Mary's, starts 8:00 AM  
Glen Cove, St. Rocco's, starts 7:15 AM  
Shoreham, St. Mark's, starts 9:00AM followed by Rosary