

Rome, 26 November 2024

Dear brothers,

This day, so significant for the entire Pauline Family, helps us to renew our thanks to the Trinity for the gift of Blessed James Alberione. His life and his work are signs of hope for our humanity, still divided, fragile and confused today.

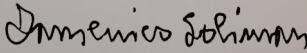
Hope is truly necessary, hope that is Christ who never disappoints. The Church herself wishes to bear witness to it forcefully during the Jubilee Year of 2025. In fact, Pope Francis reminds us in the Bull of Indiction of the Jubilee: “Everyone hopes. In the heart of every person, hope is contained as a desire and expectation of good, even without knowing what tomorrow will bring with it.”

Where can we find this hope? The Word of God is certainly the place where we all encounter the Lord. Precisely in the light of the centrality of the Word, we remember the Centenary of the Biblical Apostolate of the Pauline Family. The young Don Alberione gave life to countless initiatives that favoured the spread of the Bible, its knowledge and love for the Divine Master. How many initiatives throughout the world in these hundred years!

This is what we wish to continue even today, with courage and above all with creativity, as “artisans” who, announcing Jesus, the Word of the Father, spend themselves to create places of communion, just as Jesus left us as a legacy: “That they may all be one” (Jn 17:21).

Full of joy, let us make Blessed Alberione known to the holy people of God so that he may be invoked as an intercessor and there may be other young people who, inspired by the Spirit, give their lives to Christ, testifying with every language that Hope does not disappoint (Rm 5:5).

Fraternally,


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