



Helpers of the Souls in Purgatory

Group China-India

Under the name “China-India” our sisters living in **Hong Kong, Taiwan** (Taipeh) and **India** (Barasat, Kolkata, Bolpur) are grouped together.

Who we are:

- ◇ an international, apostolic congregation, formed in the spirituality of St Ignatius of Loyola.
- ◇ The Charism received by our Foundress, Blessed Mary of Providence, tells us that love has no boundaries and inspires us to discover in faith the bonds that unite the living and the death and the riches of the communion of Saints.
- ◇ In a service of hope, we want to offer all that we have and all that we are for those who are on a way of purification – passing through situations of crises, of growth - here on earth and beyond.

“We believe that there are no boundaries to love and that we are in solidarity with all those who follow Jesus Christ in his Pascal Mystery, whether they are on earth or have already passed through death.

We support them through our prayer, action and communion with them in their trials, knowing that God's transforming love is a gratuitous gift”

(Constitutions. 18)



What we do: By our presence and by working in various fields (education, health services, social work, pastoral work, spiritual accompaniment...) we strive to respond to the needs of those who suffer or whose human dignity is injured. Our attention goes especially to those who are most forgotten and marginalized. We normally have no own institutions, but work together with other congregations, dioceses and NGOs whose aims and values are corresponding with ours.



Socialwork in villages (Srs Marsa and Nimanti)



Nursing (Sr Sasmj)

Our Foundress Mary of Providence encouraged her sisters to help “in all manner of good” and “she risked sending them to China” for a new mission....Yes, Helper life is a risk, because we do not have any institutions such as schools, hospitals etc. We collaborate in our service with other Congregations and N.G.Os; we do not have any particular dress, but we adjust our life style according to the places and circumstances. We, the Helpers who totally depend and trust in God, are like “the birds of the air and the lilies in the field”, like Mary of Providence, we are guided step by step to have “no other security than the generosity of God”... (testimony of an Indian Helper)



Working with youth (Sr Gouri)



Accompaniment (Sr Teresa)

Helpers in India

Since 1995, the Helpers are present in West Bengal. 17 sisters are living and working in the 3 communities in Barasat (1995), Kolkata (2005) and Bolpur (2010) .



In our “*Studyhouses*” in Barasat and Bolpur girls from mostly rural areas are living together with our sisters in order to complete their Higher Secondary studies.

Besides being helped in their studies, they are also accompanied and supported in their personal and spiritual growth. By sharing the household chores -cooking, cleaning, going to market...- they acquire useful skills.



Taiwan-Hong Kong community

The Helpers are present in Hong Kong and Taiwan since the 1960s.



Today, three sisters live in Taiwan and one sister lives in Hong Kong. They are involved in pastoral services and in Jesuit networks, in the ministry of the sick and elderly, and in the field of the spiritual and religious formation – according to the Ignatian tradition – in Taiwan and in some other Asian countries.



In Hong Kong, Sr Agathe accompanies faithfully the “Friends of Hope”, the group of Lay Associates committed to the Charisma of Mary of Providence.





*Living together
as sisters,*



*praying, sharing,
eating, discussing,
celebrating, working...
in community,*



*we support one another in our fidelity
to our vocation and our vows.*

