

# PRAYER TO MARY



Mary, here we are before you  
as our Chapter at Ploërmel comes to a close.  
We want to tell you again  
of the filial love of the Congregation  
of the Brothers of Christian Instruction,  
as well as the whole Mennaisian Family.  
We speak for all the Brothers and Laity  
as well as the young people who are in our schools and places of education.

Mary Immaculate, we pray to you with confidence  
and we renew our consecration of this Institute  
which the Lord has brought together for his Church,  
and the Mennaisian Family, which brings so many together  
who wish to be at the service  
of the Christian education of children and young persons,  
through the charism of Jean-Marie de la Mennais.

Be a Mother to us,  
offer our prayer to Jesus, who by becoming your Son  
became our brother.  
Watch over us all so that we be true disciples of Jesus,  
walking in the light and joy of his presence.  
Watch over us with a mother's eye on the journey we should walk together  
to follow the orientations of the Chapter.  
Be for us a rock of courage and fidelity.

Mary, Star of the new evangelization,  
be with us in the ways of veritable missionary work of education  
which bears the task of making Jesus Christ known to the world.  
May our missionary efforts be a daily witness of our intention  
to imitate your Son, Jesus.  
Thus may it be obvious that our fidelity to Christ changes our personal life  
and models a future based on peace for all.

Mother, you who make the Church so bountiful with children,  
give Brothers to our Institute so much needed by children to-day.  
By your prayer and solicitude support the Laity to whom the Holy Spirit has confided  
the Mennaisian charism as he has to the Brothers,  
as a grace to the young people of our world.

Thanks to your intercession may we “ go into deep waters”  
towards holiness which alone can make  
our mission to youth and young children, efficacious.

Mother of Mercy and Peace,  
Mother Immaculate,  
Mary, pray for us.

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