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From the diary of Fr. Valentin de Pablo SDB

*In his Providence the Lord has ordained that my life should be spent for Africa: first as a missionary and now as Regional. "I belong to it!". May my thoughts, affections and interests have Africa and the Salesian Charism as their point of reference. May the Region "take possession of me": I am at its service!*

*Lord, awaken me each day to the mystery that I celebrate. May I never cease to be amazed by the gift of your presence in the Eucharist. Grant that I may "count" on the Eucharist every day of my life.*

*"How fortunate I am!". The Lord counts on me to make the salesian charism present in Africa-Madagascar.*

**May the Lord transform Fr. Valentin's dream for Africa into reality.**