

The journey of the Apostolic Movement in the Congo Republic

The Apostolic Movement welcomed with joy in the past few days the visit at Catanzaro of the General Secretary of the Congo Episcopal Conference, Don Alphonse Taty-Mboumba, in representation of the President Monsignor Louis Portella Mbuyu, Bishop of Kinkala.

The charisma of the Apostolic Movement, founded in the city of Catanzaro through the inspirer and founder, Maria Marino, from Calabria not only reached the Italian Dioceses but also other nations like the Congo Republic. Concerning this, the General Secretary of the Episcopal Conference read a letter written by the Bishop President, in which the diffusion of the Movement in the various Congo Dioceses is encouraged. In the letter, the President of the Conference also heartens the Congolese students in Italy to draw from the spirituality of the Apostolic Movement, which fully reflects the ecclesial journey of the «new evangelization».

The Catanzaro-Squillace Metropolitan Archbishop, Monsignor Antonio Ciliberti, welcomed with gratitude the Congolese presbyter, manifesting his satisfaction for the journey of the Apostolic Movement in the African Country. The solemn Eucharistic co-celebration signed the event, in the presence also of the Central ecclesiastic assistant of the Movement Monsignor Costantino Di Bruno, of numerous presbyters and lay persons. There was also present Maria Marino, to whom the message of Monsignor Portella Mbuyu was offered. At the end, a heartfelt thanks was addressed to the priest by the president of the Apostolic Movement, Cettina Marraffa, for the message so rich with ecclesial value on the part of the Bishops of the Congo Episcopal Conference.

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