

Kids' Connection!

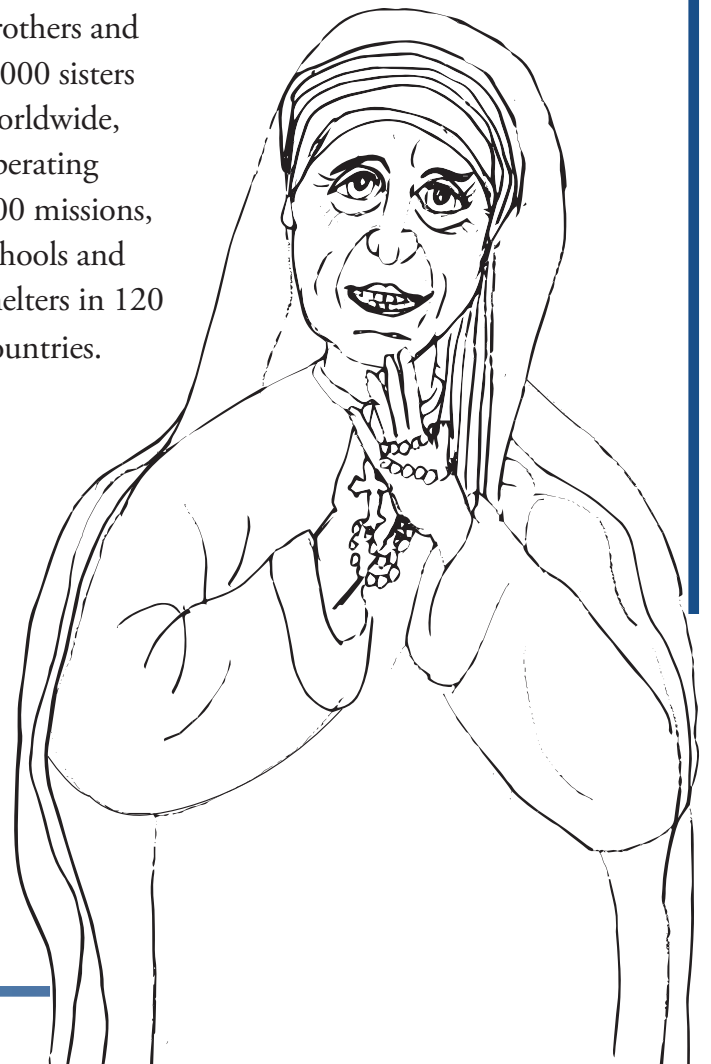
This Month We Learn About saint teresa of Calcutta

Who was she?

Born in Albania in 1910, Teresa loved stories of missionaries as a child. When she was 18, she joined the Sisters of Loreto in Ireland. In 1929 she began her novitiate in India. After her vows, she became a teacher and then headmistress in Calcutta. The poverty and famine that raged in Calcutta deeply affected her. Teresa experienced a call to leave the convent and live among the poor, helping them in 1946. She became an Indian citizen and received basic medical training before living in the slums. Other young women joined her and they established the Missionaries of Charity. Teresa opened hospices, leprosy clinics, orphanages and homeless youth shelters.

interesting facts

- In 1982, **Teresa established a temporary cease-fire** between Israelis and Palestinians and **travelled through a war zone to a hospital to evacuate 37 trapped children.**
- **She received many awards** for her acts of services from the Indian government, as well as from other countries around the world including the **Pope John XXIII Peace Prize in 1971** and the **Nobel Peace Prize in 1979.**
- **Teresa's congregation spread across the world.** By 2007 the Missionaries of Charity numbered about 450 brothers and 5,000 sisters worldwide, operating 600 missions, schools and shelters in 120 countries.



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CALCUTTA	HOSPICE	ORPHANS
CHARITY	INDIA	POOR
DIGNITY	LEPROSY	TEACHER
HOMELESS	MISSIONARY	TERESA

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