

And yet

Over the summer, in this period of the church year called Ordinary Time, many of the sermons we have heard have been about ordinary people called to be part of the work of God. Joseph. Noah. Moses. Jacob. These aren't superheroes, just plain folks who wouldn't stand out in any crowd. Like most of us.

Regardless of qualifications. God chooses. God calls.

Or as John L. Bell, composer and a member of the Iona community in Scotland wrote,

“God asks, ‘Who will go with me?
Who will extend my reach?
And who, when few will listen,
will prophesy and preach?
And who, when few bid welcome,
will offer all they know?
And who, when few dare follow,
will walk the road I show?’

Amused in someone's kitchen,
asleep in someone's boat,
attuned to what the ancients
exposed, proclaimed and wrote,
a saviour without safety,
a tradesman without tools
has come to tip the balance
with fishermen and fools....”

Fishermen and fools. That pretty much sums us up. And yet God chooses. God calls.

~Marylen Marty-Gentile

Please continue to pray for the men and women in Colombia as part of the learning and accompaniment trip.

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