

"Having a Mother's heart"

We are aware that sometimes we are not so stable in our commitment, although sincere, to love our brothers, but we know that fidelity is something characteristic of love that always helps us, beyond our capabilities. With this happy certainty we can raise our gaze from our limited horizon and get on the road every day.

Having a look of love for humanity also brings out a great design of fraternity. And there are numerous teachers who have given testimony of their confidence in the love manifested in acts and, above all, with the example of their life. These great masters have revealed to us that the vocation of every man and woman is to contribute to the building of relationships of welcome and dialogue

How to live the IDEA OF THIS MONTH?

Chiara Lubich invited **to have a mother's heart**: *"A mother always welcomes, always helps, always waits, covers everything. (.) If we had the heart of a mother, (.) We would always be willing to love others in all circumstances and keep love alive in us (.), We would love everyone and not only the members of our inner circle, but also to all others. (.) To all men of good will and to every man who lives on this earth"*.

A young wife who began to live the Gospel in her family tells us: *"I experienced a joy never before tested and the desire to spread this love beyond the four walls of the house. That's how I ran to the hospital to meet the wife of a colleague who had tried to commit suicide. I had known her difficulties for a long time, but, busy with my problems, I had not been interested in her. However, now she felt her pain as her own and I did not have peace until the situation that had led to this extreme gesture was resolved. This episode marked for me the beginning of a change of mentality. It allowed me to understand that if I love, I can be for someone who passes by me a reflection, however small, of the same eternal love"*.

What if we too, supported by the faithful love of a mother, adopt this interior attitude in front of all those we encounter during the day?

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