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The Prayer Card of St. Josemaría Escrivá in Yoruba

The Prayer Card of St. Josemaría Escrivá, the founder of Opus Dei has been published in the Yoruba language in Nigeria. Yoruba, is the native tongue of an approximately 28 million people found in at least three countries in West Africa: Nigeria, Benin and Togo. The language is also spoken by some communities in Brazil in South America.

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The states within southwestern Nigeria where Yoruba is the native language include Lagos State (the commercial centre of Nigeria), as well as Oyo, Osun, Ogun, Ondo, Ekiti, and Kwara States, and some parts of Kogi State.

Since Opus Dei began in Nigeria in 1965, stable apostolic work has begun in some cities of Oyo while several faithful of the Prelature as well as cooperators are present in the other Yoruba speaking states.

Devotion to St. Josemaría has grown so widely that a prayer card in the native tongue has been a long-term desire of many people.

The full text of the prayer in Yoruba goes thus:

Josemaria Escriva Mimo

Oludasile Opus Dei

ADURA

Olórun, nipase Maria Wundia alabukunfun, iwo fi opo oore-ofe fun alufaa re, Josemaria Mimó nipa yiyan gege bi irinse olódodo julo lati da Opus Dei (Ise Olórun) sile gege bi ona iso-ara-eni-di-mimó lenu ise oojó wa, ninu aseynori ise isin wa gege bi onigbagbó. Fifun mi pe ki emi naa le ko lati so gbogbo igbesi ati ise le aye mi di awon ohun anfaani lati feran re ati lati sin ijo Eklesia, Papa mimó ati gbogbo eniyan pelu ayo ati irele okan nipa fifi emi igbagbó ati ife tan imóle si ona aye yii.

Jowó, nipa ebe iranse re, Josemaria Mimó, gbó ebe mi yii (nibi, so edun okan re) Amin.

Baba wa ti n be lórun, Mo ki O Maria, Ogo ni fun Baba.

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“Ibikibi ti ilakaka yin, ise yin ati ife yin ba wa, ibe gan-an ni e o ti se abapade Kristi lójoojumó. Ibe naa si ni, laarin awon ohun ara ti aye yii ni a ti gbódo ti ya ara wa si mimó bi a se n sin Olórun ati gbogbo eniyan.

O dabi eni pe orun ati aye n papo ni sanmo, eyin omo mi. Sugbón ibi ti wón ti n pade gan-an ni okan yin nigba ti e ba n ya ara re si mimó lojoojumo ati ara ise oojó yin”

Iiwaasu Josemaria Escriva Mimó lóri akori: “Fiferan aye nipa ikaaanu tooto” to se ni October 8, 1967.

A bi Josemaria Escriva Mimó ni ilu Barbastro, Ile Spain, ni ojó kesan-an, osu kinni, odun 1902. Ó gboye alufaa ni ojó kejidinlógbon, osu keta odun 1925, ni ilu Saragosa. Ó da Opus Dei (Ise Olórun) sile ni ojo keji, osu kewaa odun 1928 ni ilu Madrid nipa agbende imisi Olórun. Ni ojo

kerindinlógbon osu kefa odun 1975 ni ó je ipe Olórun lairotele ninu iyara ibi ti ó ti maa n sise ni ilu Róomu leyin ti ó ti fi tifetife wo aworan Maria, iya wa. Lakoóko iku re yii, egbe Opus Dei tó tan ka orile marun-un ti aye pin si, ti awon omo egbe si, ti le ni oke meta eniyan, ni awon orile-edede bi i ogorin. Awon omo egbe Opus Dei n sise Eklesia pelu emi isokan pipe kan naa pelu Papa Mimo ati awon Bisóobu gege bi ise Josemaria Mimó. Papa mimó, Johaanu Póolu keji gba Oludasile Opus Dei, Josemaria Escriva Mimó, gege bi okan lara awon eni mimó ni ojó kefa osu kewaa odun 2002. A maa n se ajodun re ni ojó kerindinlógbon osu kefa. Ara Josemaria Mimó n sinmi ni ile ijosiin Prelatic ti Iya wa Alaafia, ti ó wa ni viale Bruno Buoizzi, 75, ni ilu Róomu.

A le beere fun ohunkóhun ti a fe mo si i nipa Josemaria Escriva Mimó ni:

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