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# **Novena to St. Josemaria for Work**

In the midst of the present economic difficulties, we offer a "Novena for Work" for asking St. Josemaria's intercession in finding a job.

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During these times of economic crisis, many people have lost their jobs and face serious difficulties supporting their families. With his teaching about the sanctification of ordinary work, St. Josemaría is a natural intercessor for all those

seeking work or anxious about losing their job.

Above is a link to a *Novena for Work* that thousands of people have used to ask St. Josemaría's intercession for finding or keeping jobs. Use it yourself and send it along to any friends or relatives looking for work.

The novena has proven to be very powerful. Below are a just a few recent testimonies from people it has helped.

### **Better work, better pay and closer to home!**

I went to this web-site to send the Novena for Work to my cousin, and I noticed that it asks people to send information about the favors they have received through the intercession of St. Josemaría. So, here I am. Last July I decided to resign from my job because I discovered that the owners of the company were

not honest. I needed the job, but I could not work in a place that was completely unethical. I could not obtain a normal job, because I am still a student and companies usually offer internships that pay very little. Through my boyfriend I met Opus Dei. Among his books I discovered the Novena for Work and I began to pray it. I had sent out my resume a week earlier to a number of websites that had open positions. A week after I finished the novena I was offered two very good positions. The company that offered the better starting salary—four times what I had been earning before—was only 15 minutes from my house. In addition, it is a well-known company with good ethical principles and I have met wonderful people there. Now I tell everyone I can about this novena.

*Vanessa Graziella,*

Brazil, February 25, 2009

## **When God wanted it.**

I was out of work for six months. My children and I prayed the Novena for Work to St. Josemaría, and I continued to go to Mass daily and to pray the Holy Rosary to our Lady. I applied for a number of jobs without success. Despite my unemployment, I continued to trust that God would look after my family. And, through the help we received from my parents and my brothers, this happened. When God wanted it, he gave me not one job but two. With the grace of God I have been able to do both jobs and I offer all my work for the love of God and neighbor. Many thanks for the help and powerful intercession of St. Josemaría.

*J.A.*

United Kingdom, February 19, 2009

## **A great help in finding work**

While I was praying a novena to St. Josemaría, I had the good fortune to take part in a selection process that was long and very demanding. At a certain point, they stopped contacting me. So I started again to pray the novena and then I received a phone call. In the end I was selected for an important management position in a ski resort in Chile. This came after almost one year of unemployment. Throughout the whole process I always felt accompanied by St. Josemaría and the Blessed Virgin Mary, and this helped me to give excellent interviews during the selection process. I can testify to the great help in finding work that is to be gained from St. Josemaría and his Novena.

*Enrique S., Chile*

Chile, January 20, 2009

## **Jobs for me and for my brother-in-law**

I have received the favor of a job in my area of work. I am an architect and an urban planner, presently doing some specialized studies. I was getting ready to go to class on Friday, April 17, when I received a telephone call for an interview. This was four days before my birthday. It was a birthday present! I had begun to pray the novena on April 6, and the news made me very happy. On April 20th, one day before my birthday, I signed the contract. Today was my first day on the job and it went very well. In the novena I started on April 6, I asked for work for myself and for my brother-in-law. Today he received the favor of a job. I am very thankful to God for this blessing through the intercession of St. Josemaría Escrivá de Balaguer and also to our Lady of Fatima and our Lady of Shoenstatt.

*J.H.*

Brazil, April 27, 2009

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