



Children Looking for God

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On 3 April 2011, more than 330 children gathered in Saint John's Church, Bobo-Dioulasso (Burkina Faso), a small mission station belonging to St Dominic Savio Parish, for the 2011 'March for God' organised by the children's coordination team. Accompanied by their leaders and group leaders, the children came from the oratory, as well as catechetics and youth groups, and were organised into seven groups identified by different-coloured badges. They headed out for Koffin, a small village at the northern exit of Bobo. after deacon Paul-Frédéric, from the diocese, gave them blessing to send them on their way. Bubbling with excitement, the pilgrims headed out in search of God. Hymns and prayers marked their progress as they covered the kilometres. The children sang happily and with their normal enthusiasm.

Along the way there were seven pauses for prayer. Once they had arrived at Koffin, after some welcomes, they carefully followed the presentation by Brother Christopher sdb, a practical trainee. He based it on the message by Pope