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PRESENTATION

Lasalliana No. 4 marks the beginning of the second year of publication. The editorial team wishes to thank you for the interest and confidence you have shown by renewing your subscriptions. We hope that the second year's numbers will give you equal satisfaction.

At the start of this new series it seems appropriate to recall the purpose of Lasalliana as it was first presented. These leaflets are addressed to a mixed readership of Brothers and lay people, to all those who wish to get to know better and to live the charism of St. John Baptist de La Salle.

The essential aim is, therefore educative and apostolic. Each leaflet can become an instrument for reflection and work. This is why we prefer texts which are short and easy to read. Because of this contributors are compelled to choose subjects and sometimes to condense them in order to suit the format of the leaflets unless they prefer to write a series of articles on the same theme. We are well aware that this is often demanding and frustrating for them. Occasionally we have to take the difficult and delicate decision to cut texts which are too long.

Our contributors do not pretend to be specialists but their articles are always interesting, enriching and stimulating. Obviously we do not expect that all the articles will interest all our readers equally. That depends on many factors. But we hope that out of the twenty articles in each edition some will attract the interest and attention of most readers.

These articles are not written solely with the individual reader in view. They are essentially instruments of work, the contents of which can be:

- thoroughly studied for a better understanding
- discussed and developed in certain of their aspects
- enriched by personal experience and additional research
- studied in the light of local conditions
- put into practice in actual situations.

This underlines the fact that the leaflets are addressed more to groups than to individuals and that they can be read and studied in common as, for example, in study circles, at teachers' meetings, District sessions and retreats, community meetings, at meetings of parents, former pupils, Lasallian associations and in houses of formation, etc.

We think that it is by work in common that certain difficulties in understanding, especially for readers not well acquainted with Lasallian origins, tradition and aims, can be overcome.

With best wishes to our contributors and readers for a happy and successful year,

Brother Léon LAURAIRE

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