**Mother Teresa**

**Probably the most famous nun alive today, Mother Teresa was born in Skopje in present-day Yugoslavia in 1910. She founded the order of the Missionaries of Charity in 1948. Based in Calcutta, the order transformed an abandoned Hindu temple into a home for the destitute dying and is credited with saving over 8,000 lives. In 1964, when Pope Pius VI gave her his limousine, Mother Teresa immediately raffled it off to pay for the construction of a leper colony. In 1971 she was awarded the $25,000 Pope John XXXIII Peace Prize for her continuing efforts on behalf of the poor and the sick, and in 1979 she received the $190,000 Nobel Peace Prize. (F. B. F., in The Book of Lists #2, p. 18)**

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**We realize that what we are accomplishing is a drop in the ocean. But if this drop were not in the ocean, it would be missed. (Mother Teresa)**

**It is Christmas every time you let God love others through you. Yes, it is Christmas every time you smile at your brother and offer him your hand. (Mother Teresa of Calcutta)**

**I was once asked why I don't participate in anti-war demonstrations. I said that I will never do that, but as soon as you have a pro-peace rally, I'll be there. *(Mother Teresa)***

**Overheard: “My greatest fear is that I will be standing behind Mother Teresa in the final judgment line and I’ll hear God tell her, ‘You know, you should have done more.’” *(The Jokesmith)***

**I know God will not give me anything I can’t handle. I just wish that He didn’t trust me so much. (Mother Teresa)**

**What can you do to promote world peace? Go home and love your family. *(Mother Teresa)***

**Do ordinary things with extraordinary love. *(Mother Teresa)***

**Spread love everywhere you go: first of all in your own house. Give love to your children, to your wife or husband, to a next door neighbor. Let no one ever come to you without leaving better and happier. Be the living expression of God's kindness; kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile, kindness in your warm greeting. Love is a fruit in season at all times, and within reach of every hand. *(Mother Teresa)***

**I am a little pencil in the hand of a writing God who is sending a love letter to the world. (Mother Teresa)**

**Peace begins with a smile -- smile five times a day at someone you really don't want to smile at . . . do it for peace. *(Mother Teresa)***

**Mother Teresa tells the poignant story of two men living in a home for homeless alcoholics who get into a fight. One injures the other badly, and the police are called in. The injured man refuses to give the name of his assailant to the police. When Mother Teresa asks him why he did not implicate the man who attacked him, the man replies: “His suffering is not going to lessen my suffering.” *(Hazel Brown, in Unity magazine)***