



NEW GENERAL ASSISTANTS

FRS. JUDE NNOROM AND PHILIP MASSAWE HAVE BEEN ELECTED AS NEW GENERAL ASSISTANTS

The General Chapter of the Spiritans, meeting in Bagamoyo, Tanzania since 3 October, has elected as Assistant General, on 20 October 2021, Frs. Jude Nnorom and Philip Massawe. Fr. Jude Nnorom is a member of the province of Nigeria SE, on Mission



in South Africa, where he is Superior of the Spiritan Group. Fr. Philip Massawe, member of the Province of Tanzania, is its current Provincial.

Fr. Jude Nnorom was born in Nigeria in 1968. He made his Perpetual Profession in 1993, and was ordained priest in 1994.

He began his missionary life in South Africa as parish priest, vocations promoter, director of the Postulancy (2002-2004) and Master of Novices (2003-2004). He was appointed Superior of the South Africa Group in 2004, exercising this responsibility until 2010. He was Coordinator of 'Peacebuilding Religions for Peace (2012-2013), and was appointed to be in charge of the Justice, Peace and Integrity of Ciation (JPIC) Service and Inter Religious Dialogue of the Spiritans in Rome (2015-2018). He returned to South Africa where he was appointed Group Superior, a position he still holds today.



Fr. Philip Massawe was born in Tanzania in 1957. He made his Perpetual Profession in 1984. He was ordained priest in 1985.

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"Behold, I am doing something new" (Is 43:19)

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He began his missionary life in Zambia, where he worked from 1985 to 1989. Between 1993 and 1999 he was the first Assistant of the East African Province (EAP). Returning to Tanzania, he exercised various responsibilities, working with the Masai people (1999-2000), then as Rector of the Spiritan Seminary of Arusha (2000-2006). He was appointed by the General Council to be the Coordinator of Formation and Education in Rome (2006-2014), as well as Rector of Villa Notre Dame (2014-2016). He was elected Provincial Superior of Tanzania in 2017, a position he still holds today.

Welcomed by the Chapter Assembly, Fr. Jude and Philip will have the task, within the General Council, of collaborating with Fr. Alain Mayama in the animation of some 2500 Spiritan Missionaries working in more than 60 countries in five continents. The Council will also welcome and animate the thousands of lay people who share Spiritan Spirituality and Mission.