

What is more beautiful in my life than...

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I am a married woman with three children aged between 12 and 15 years. We try to attend the MIR prayer meetings as a family; however this is not always possible.

I publicly admit that on the day when the MIR meeting is held all sorts of inconveniences crop up, and our plans are nearly always ruined in some way or another. Regretfully, until a few months ago I sometimes gave up the struggle to overcome such obstacles. Once, I even resorted to leaving the church before the meeting had even started...However, God writes straight on crooked lines!

Today I am learning how to open my heart, so that by God's grace I may overcome persecution and recognise the path which the Lord has chosen for me and my family.

I admit that I used to think that the one hour adoration after mass and the rosary was simply too long. I got distracted, and would start looking at my watch to check the time. This took place especially when some members of my family got tired, or simply had enough! God forgive us!

However, despite all this, I thank God for the powerful personal experience I had during the consecration of the wine which took place during the MIR meeting held on the 22nd October 2006 at St. Julian's Parish Church. This experience had a deep impact on me, and from that day onwards I started to view the adoration from a totally new perspective. The experience I had involved the wounds on Christ's feet as He lay nailed to the cross. I realised that though I was tired, the long hour I spent in adoration was an opportunity to lose myself spiritually in Christ, even if this occurred for a few moments only...I almost felt someone telling me, "Now that you have the opportunity...TAKE IT!" I felt these words echoing within me.

In truth, life is too hectic and we do everything with great haste. This also applies to our personal encounters with Jesus. However, what could be more beautiful in my life than losing myself in the Lord who created me, the Lord who is loving me, appreciating me and welcoming me into His home together with my Christian brothers and sisters who are all battling through life like me?

After all, throughout an hour's adoration I only manage to lose myself in Him for a short period of time. Therefore, if the adoration was not so long, my spiritual experience would diminish! There would hardly be time for any of us to lose ourselves spiritually in Christ at all. Then we would be truly living up to today's motto – Rush through everything in life, and let's get going!

THANK YOU LORD. DO NOT EVER ALLOW ME TO SEPERATE MYSELF FROM YOU!

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