

Dear Maurice, Bernard, Jan, George and Bart,

Many greetings from Nairobi. I am just writing a small reminder of the request I made at the Regionals' Meeting.

The cause for the beatification of Cardinal Otunga has been opened here in Nairobi Archdiocese. The Postulator, Fr Bellagamba, is an elderly Consolata Missionary. He has issued a public request, that anyone who knew Cardinal Otunga should write an account of the Cardinal's virtues, or faults, for inclusion in the process.

When I took a deposition, written by one of our Members, to his office, he asked me whether I could contact any of our retired missionaries who might have had contact with Cardinal Otunga, and ask them to record their memories of him. I'd be grateful, then, if you could circulate this request to any retired Members in your area.

Any submission should explain the relationship of the author to the Cardinal at the time the submission describes, e.g., the author was at that time the Cardinal's curate, or was serving as Vicar General, or worked in a neighbouring parish. Anything may be relevant, which throws some light on the character of the Cardinal, whether for good or bad. Even material that seems only anecdotal may be useful to the Postulator.

Any submissions can be sent to my office, and I will forward them to Fr Bellagamba. Email submissions can be included, as long as the name of the author is clear. It is preferable, however, to send a typed or handwritten copy as well, signed by the author.

Many thanks,

Dermot.

Oosterbeek, 23 februari 2010
Jan van Luijk