

Brother VICTORIANO AYORA ALTABA

03.03.1930 - 08.01.2022

Brother Victoriano Ayora ALTABA, Spanish Missionary

He was born on March 28, 1930 at Mosqueruela, Pro. Teruel, A. Aragon, Spain.

He entered into the minor seminary at Vich on 1942.

He entered into the novitiate on March 19, 1948 at Traslavina Arcentales Vizcaya.

He made the first profession on March 19, 1949 at Vich Barcelona.

He made his perpetual profession on March 19, 1952 at Vich Barcelona.

He had chosen to be brother in his Camillian religious since he made his first profession. After his perpetual profession, he decided to be missionary and he travelled to Thailand do his missionary since 1955 and he started his first missionary at San Camillo Hospital, Banpong, Ratchaburi province. After that, he has been assigned to Camillian Clinic at Suravong road, Bangkok, which later it has been changed its activity to be Camillian Hospital.

In 1964, Bro. Victoriano has been assigned at San Camillo Hospital, Ratchaburi. And he has been moved to work again at Camillian Hospital, Bangkok in 1966.

When the Thailand delegation decided to start the work of Leprosy by setting up the Leprosy settlement at Khokwat, Prochinburi province in 1971. Bro. Victoriano Altaba has been assigned as superior of the community for three times.

In 1984, Bro. Victoriano has been moved to work again at San Camillo Hospital, Ratchaburi. He was assigned to work with the leprosy families at the "Dr.Peter Bolech Village", Chom Bueng, Ratchaburi province and he also had the responsibility of leprosy clinic at Ta Wa sub-district, Kanchanaburi province.

On June 3, 2004, Bro. Victoriano has been assigned at St.Lawrence community at Camillian Social Center Chanthaburi until his end of life.

He was admitted into Camillian hospital on October 2021 according to his sickness of prostate cancer and he passed away at 6.45 p.m., on January 8, 2022.

Throughout his life as a missionary, Bro. Victoriano Altaba devoted himself to serve the sick in Thailand for 67 years. His life's skill as a nurse got training in caring for leprosy patients, he spent most of his time to provide caring for leprosy patients for more than 30 years. In addition to having expertise in caring for leprosy patients, he also had expertise in agriculture. While caring for leprosy patients, he also developed agriculture in the leprosy settlement, Khok Wat, Prachinburi province, and developed a leprosy village "Dr. Peter Bolech Village" at Chom Bueng Village for leprosy families who have been cured of the disease.

Bro. Victoriano was a model of a missionary who dedicated his simple life in striving to serve the sick both in the treatment of leprosy and giving a career for a leper families.

In the life of Camillian religious, Bro. Victoriano was a model of prayer who was regularly the first one to be in the chapel every morning. He was the model in daily routine simplicity, who was not interested in the worldly things. These of his life are impressed and inspired for the new young generation religious to follow in their footsteps of Camillian religious.

May God welcome Bro. Victoriano's soul into the midst of all the saints.