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“Horizon of Hope - Life in the Chinhoyi Diocese of Zimbabwe” // „Hoffnung statt Zukunftsangst. Leben im Bistum Chinhoyi in Simbabwe“
by Christof Wolf

The documentary wins “The Niepokalanow International Catholic Festival” (Poland) Prize for “sophistication in portraying contemporary missionary service” at the IX. International Catholic Festival of Christian Films and TV Programs MAGNIFICAT 2013 (Minsk). The Award - which is given every year as „Grand Prix“ of Niepokalonow in Poland as well - features Saint Maximilian Kolbe.



Der Dokumentarfilm gewinnt den Spezial Preis des „Niepokalanow International Catholic Festival“ (Poland) für den Besten Film in der Kategorie: „Exzellenz in der Darstellung der Vielschichtigkeit von Mission heute“ auf dem IX. International Catholic Festival of Christian Films and TV Programs MAGNIFICAT '2013 (Minsk). Der Preis stellt den Hl. Maximilian Kolbe dar. Er wird auch jedes Jahr als „Grand Prix“ in Niepokalonow, Polen vergeben.

Political deadlock and a deep economic crisis have lead to widespread poverty and despondency in Zimbabwe. The situation in the country's Chinhoyi diocese is no different. Here, people have to fight for survival every day. The church tries to help wherever it can but this is by no means an easy task. Today, the diocese is undergoing a profound change: it is about to transform from a mission church into a local church. And Chinhoyi's young, native priests are ready for the challenge. Motivated by their deep faith, they have a vision they want to turn into reality.

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