



The Marianists

**Fr. William Meyer**

*50 years of profession*

My ministerial life as a Marianist, over these many years, has been involved with spiritual direction, religious formation, and education at the university and secondary levels. They have been very happy and full years. I feel very blessed having lived with and met such good people who have taught and mentored me — and have shown me the face of Jesus. They have taught me how to be a brother to all people — a true joy of my life.

Recently, the service of leadership has given me a wonderful appreciation of the goodness and uniqueness of people; how God is very present and moving in their lives; and how all people have gifts to offer in every situation that unfolds. It has truly been a blessing to be a companion and brother to others as their great life stories unfold.

My passion, throughout these years of life, has been to never turn away when someone is seeking or asking for my fraternal support and love. I believe that any compassion that might be within me is God compelling me to dedicate my energy, and whatever abilities I have, to walk with people as they seek to live out their service and love of God.