



### **BR. JEROME AGBEKO, SVD**

Born at Lolobi-Kumasi, Volta Region in Ghana on the 21st of June 1947, he was the first born of 9 siblings and had his Basic education at the Lolobi Kumasi (1955-1962) and his High School education in St. Martins Secondary School, at Adoagyiri-Nsawam, Ghana (1975-78).

**Professional Training:** Brother Agbeko worked for two years with the physically challenged in Nsawam-Adoagyiri, Ghana prior to his professional training in physiotherapy in which he gained a Certificate in 1975.

**Admission to the SVD and Vows:** He did his two-year postulancy from 1963 to 1965 followed by a two-year Novitiate all at Adoagyiri, Nsawam after which he also professed First Vows at the same place. From 1972 to 1973 Brother Agbeko undertook a one-year course in Spirituality and religious studies in Ibadan, Nigeria. He took his perpetual vows in 1975.

**Missionary pastoral assignments:** Since his final vows he worked as Physiotherapist in St. John of God Hospital at Koforidua and later at Holy Family Hospital in the Sunyani Diocese, Ghana until 1980 when he left to Italy to participate in the Nemi Renewal Program.

On his return, he worked in Parish pastoral ministry in the Sunyani Diocese and also as Supervisor of SVD and Diocesan seminarians. In 1990, he was appointed Director of Brother formation for two years.

In 1992, he did the SVD Spirituality programme in Steyl at the Arnold Janssen Spirituality Centre (AJSC). He still helps as a resource person in the Arnold Janssen Spirituality Team of the Ghana Province.

Presently, Brother continues to engage in outreach programs for the physically challenged in addition to other parish pastoral activities. Brother Agbeko was the Ghana Province Admonitor from 2008 to 2011 and has been re-elected and appointed to serve in the same capacity for the next triennium (2011-2014).

His Hobbies are Farming, and watching football