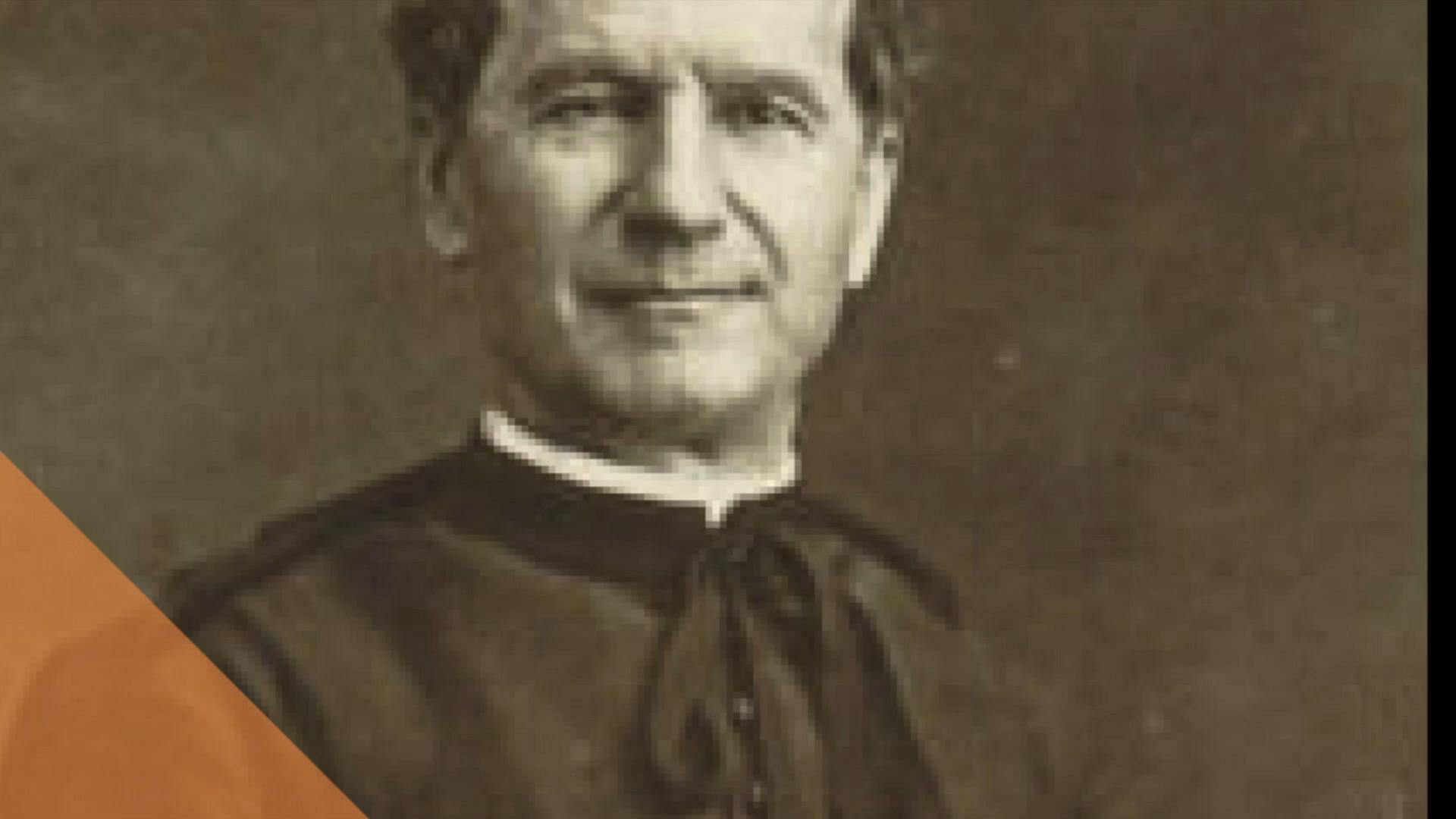


# ACCOMPANYING THE YOUNG IN OUR SALESIAN PRESENCES





Accompanying young people in the Salesian context involves a holistic approach rooted in Don Bosco's Preventive System, focusing on fostering a positive and supportive environment where young people can grow into well-rounded individuals. This involves creating a sense of belonging, offering guidance, and empowering them to discover their potential and purpose.

## Here's a breakdown of key aspects of this accompaniment:

### 1. Creating a Welcoming and Familiar Environment:

#### **The Oratory Style:**

Emphasizing a climate of familiarity, welcome, acceptance, and joy, similar to Don Bosco's oratories. It is a home, a school, a Church and a courtyard

#### **Active Presence:**

Being present with the young, engaging in their lives, and building relationships.

#### **Shared Experiences:**

Fostering a sense of community and belonging through shared activities and experiences.







#### 2. Guidance and Mentorship:

- Good Shepherd Approach: Understanding their world, culture, and individual needs as a pastor and teacher.
- 2 them in discovering their unique gifts and talents, and discerning their life path.
- Personal Growth: Focusing on their individual journeys of growth and development.

# 3. Empowerment and Leadership:



- Active Role: Encouraging young people to take an active role in their communities and the Salesian mission.
- Leadership Development: Fostering their leadership skills and empowering them to become leaders.
- Hope and Joy: Reflecting joy and hope in their own lives, inspiring the young to believe in themselves and their potential.



#### 4. Holistic Development:

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Integral Formation: Providing a holistic experience of human, spiritual, and intellectual growth.

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Values and Virtues: Instilling fundamental values and promoting moral integrity.

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Spiritual Growth: Encouraging a relationship with God and fostering a sense of purpose.







## 5. Salesian Identity and Mission:



Witnessing: Living a life that reflects the Salesian spirit and inspires the young.

Commitment: Showing a deep commitment to the young, especially those most in need.

Passionate for Jesus Christ: Being dedicated to the young while also being passionate about their faith.

In essence, accompanying the young in a Salesian presence is about being a supportive, guiding, and empowering presence in their lives, helping them to discover their potential, live a meaningful life, and grow into well-rounded individuals who contribute to society.

