

In search of the “most beautiful Christian voice”



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The semifinal round of the “Most Beautiful Christian Voice” contest was held last Jan. 5 in Bethlehem. The event - now in its third year - is sponsored by the John Paul II Foundation and the Pontifical Jerusalem Mission and is open to students from Christian schools in Jerusalem and Bethlehem.

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“It was a wonderful evening, a really beautiful evening of prayer and singing, so much so that all the participants could say, 'We felt love, we felt inner peace.' Everyone felt this joy when we sang to the Lord Jesus, and that's the purpose of the competition.”

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“At first, when I decided to enter this competition, I was scared and nervous, but when I met the contestants and experienced the atmosphere of this competition, I was filled with joy, especially singing for Christ: I am very happy to sing it.”

Nothing is more beautiful than reaping the fruits of this effort. The organizers of the event also formed a new choir called “The Voice of Angels.”

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“The fruit of this competition is the formation of a great choir, the 'Voice of the Angels' choir, which will also sing in Italy and transmit the joy experienced in the city of Bethlehem to all Italians.”

At the end of the ceremony, ten of the 17 contestants qualified for the final round, which will take place during the Easter season. A competition of this kind is made possible mainly thanks to the support of the Pontifical Mission in Jerusalem, as part of its programs aimed at protecting and supporting the Christian presence in the Holy Land.