

# Asian Young Holy Family Seekers

**FLASH – 03**

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*Gathering Sri Lanka*

## PRAYER

The day commenced with the Bhajan, invoking the Blessed Trinity to come and dwell among us, to sanctify us, to make us holy and to fill us with the graces we needed for the day, to become aware of the indwelling of the Triune God.

The Video Clip with the Title: WHERE ARE YOU LORD? TELL ME .....Was thought provoking and brought us close to the truest realities that are just at our door step. It was a time for:

- Soul searching
- For being real
- For going beyond
- To become daring to take risks! ....



In the deepest level of our hearts we pleaded with God ... TELL ME MORE .... WHERE ARE YOU LORD?

## NEWS IN BRIEF



The News Casters for the day ran through the hot news of the current day.

We were interconnected with the realities of our world and were updated so much that we were surprised at the truth that we are a Global Community!

**MEETING WITH THE ASIAN JESUIT THEOLOGIAN  
REV. FR. ALY PIERIS, S.J.**

Another rare opportunity awaited us as we were introduced to Rev. Fr. Aloy Pieris S.J one of the Asian Theologians known for his radical and forward thinking in presenting the Scriptures in Asian Reality with conviction and faith.



**The theme for reflection was : THE PERSON OF JESUS WHO RESPONDED TO HIS TIMES.**

Fr. Aloy situated Jesus in the days of His FLESH and CHRIST as we know Him NOW. The Highlights of his reflection :

Jesus was a great Orator.  
He spoke and spoke and spoke.  
He communicated so much.

Know how to Communicate.  
Communication makes Community.

Jesus proved that He is God.  
By humbling Himself.

Jesus came from Nazareth –  
A place that was made humble,  
And marginalized.

Jesus was an Anchorite -  
He left behind to go and to be  
On Mission.

Jesus – because He was God,  
He humbled Himself.

Jesus chose to suffer, to die  
For the People.

Being with People – one like them  
And among them.

The Baptism of the Cross is that  
Gives the Mission.

To grow in your Religious life,  
you need to grow in the Charism of your  
Founder and the Scripture.

**The Jesus of Today....**

Waiting for the hour -  
For God's moment -  
Which is eternal.

The death, resurrection  
the Ascension, the coming of the  
Holy Spirit -  
All happened at the same time !  
For God's time is eternal.

The challenges for us to leave the past  
and the future –and to live in the present.

I am the Vine, you are the branches.

You and I are one.  
.Ask anything  
My father will give you because I am  
asking the father and He will never refuse.

Take and eat.  
Christ goes with you  
Wherever you go.

Follow the Asian Jesus.  
Experience  
The CHRIST  
in the here and now.

We are third – day people  
living the 3<sup>rd</sup> day in the  
here and now.



### **Questions for Reflection and sharing:**

In following the Historical Jesus,  
How have you experienced Him as Christ now?

### **FEED-BACK**

We go through the Word of God, but do we let the Word of God go through our life?

Personal interest to dwell in prayer.

When we have passion for Christ, our fears will disappear.

Prayer before anything

Wisdom of Christ to know the people.

Take a daring step

To act Quickly – in need of discernment

Knowingly or unknowingly we encounter Christ.

Experience the love of Christ.

Obedience is obeying.

Saying the truth to be truthful

To know Jesus in His Humility.

Through our ministries, in our ups and downs of life we feel that Christ is present with us.

Personal dialogue with Jesus in our struggles.

Giving importance to Jesus in everything

God experience is the foundation of religious life.

Realizing one's own poverty and the need for Jesus.

Recognizing the suffering Jesus in others.

The belief that the wounded people can experience life in Jesus.

(The responses turned out to be how the “ Seekers” found themselves where they are and what they need to give priority to, to the speaker's challenge)

### **The Challenges put forward:**

Engage yourselves in the national struggles to liberate the whole nation – the body of Christ.

Service to the Body of Christ is the point.

Live the third-day as every day, that is God's moment for you.

Suffering people – making Christ visible to us. We cannot ignore.

Gossip equals terrorism.

In this we forfeit forgiveness.

Communication builds Community.

## **GATHERING THE FRUITS OF THE DAY**

By way of gathering all what had been lived during the day, the song “ TELL ME WHY” came in as a powerful challenge to shake us from our comfort zones, shallow thinking, easy commitment and complacency, and placing us face to face with the reality of our world that is wounded and bleeding.

**As Asian Young Holy Family Seekers :**

1. What are we searching for?
2. Where are we searching?
3. How are we searching?
4. Whom are we searching for?

**CHALLENGE! CHALLENGE!! CHALLENGE!!!**

**To awake the World  
We need to be awoken!**

*It's only day Three!*



