

Asian Young Holy Family Seekers



Flash – 08
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Beautiful sunny day with gentle breeze, branches moving, birds flying, butterflies hopping from flower to flower tasting honey and the children peeping and playing hide and seek. The world is a hive of activities indeed!

The Prayer lifted our hearts and minds to our “Every day God” who beckons us to recognize Him in the Community of life and challenges us to be the gift in communion. Reading the signs of the times is an everyday event which brings us to the urgency of discerning the needs of the people and the cry of our planet, in order to respond meaningfully.



The Young Seekers expressed it in “miming” the situation of the poor around us and the Planet that it brought us face to face with our realities in our context. The silence and the soft music provided us space to interpret the miming in our context as Asian Young Seekers waiting to be aligned with the signs of the times.

NEWS IN BRIEF

The news casters relayed the current news of the day in video clips and brought us into the context of our world. The local and national news reminded us of our context in the here and now and urged us to bring them all to the presence of God in prayer.



RECAP



Sr. Jesmin and Shanthy presented a wide RECAP of the previous day in order to connect It to the day's work. The day signified the important work that is awaiting the Seekers for the next two days. The importance of making way for space and time for an atmosphere conducive to prayer, silence, reflection and discernment to arrive at a life giving Action Plan to guide the Seekers for the future inter-action.



Sr. Shanthy briefed on the reflections that were done by the different Speakers, the group reflections small group sharing, expectations, and all that went on at group level.



The day was set aside for prayer and reflection personally and discussion and sharing in small Groups. Handouts on the needed guide points gathered from the work done on previous days titled "Expectations" were given to each Young Seekers for the purpose of reflection, leading to Action Plan.



FAMILY CORNER

The Seekers had the privilege to meet the Asian continental Leader for Lay Associates, Mrs. Regina Ramalingam who shared on the Vocation, life and commitment of the Lay Associates.

The Young Seekers were surprised to hear that there were 16283 Associates at the time of the death of our Founder and their number now is 2558. She further spoke on the formation, the way of life, the preparation for commitment of the Lay Associates and how they live the Charism and Spirituality of our Founder according to their state of life as laity. She also shared about the challenges they face in family life as Laity and how the Charism of Being Family becomes the inspiration to live their commitment joyfully. The Mission Communion, she said, is a constant challenge but a witnessing value that stands out to identify them as Lay Associates of The Holy Family. Jesus, Mary and Joseph – the Family of Nazareth as their Model for family life and is the source of inspiration to live communion, unity and quality relationships in the family and in their groups.



The Seekers were challenged with a few questions and the responses were very much appreciated.

The Seekers continued their search and reflection closely united with the lord in maintaining an atmosphere of silence and quietness.



*The Seekers wished
Happy Birth Day to
Dear Sr. Moreen*



Our Appreciation and Thanks

We The Asian Young Holy Family Seekers send our **PRAYERFUL WISHES AND HEARTFELT THANKS** to all our **BROTHER PRIEST ASSOCIATES**, who made themselves available to celebrate the Eucharist during our Gathering and for the inspiring us with thought provoking homilies to stir us and point us to the direction of the Founder to live his Charism and Spirituality. We admire your love for our Founder and the Holy Family of Nazareth.



Thank you!

Fr. Tantor Fernando
Fr. Jude Peiris
Fr. Asanga Nanayakkara
Fr. Sarath Nimal
Fr. Benet Shantha
Fr. Sujan (hope to be)



It's only day Eight