

Day 6. 06.21.2022 (Tuesday)

Topic : What steps does the Holy Spirit invite us to take to grow in our "walking together: CSFN and AHF"?

On the last day of the meeting during the Holy Mass, the present members of the AHF renewed their membership in the Association, first in English and then in Polish.

The prayer at the beginning of the day was led by the representatives of the AHF from the Philippines, Sr. Mary Michael Banquil, Sr. Rosalie Marie Madelo, Grace Garrucho Nava and Carlos Olivares Nava.

Sr. Speranza Grzebielec, the international coordinator of the AHF, proposed to start this day with work in groups by provinces, and to listen and discern what the Holy Spirit invites us to do, both at the provincial and international level. At 11:00 a.m., we all met again to share our reflections.

What have we heard, what has moved us, what steps do we want to take as CSFN and AHF?

Conclusions:

CRACOW

Within the province:

1. Lack of Sisters at the meetings – as members of the AHF we want to pray for religious vocations.
2. Prayer for holy Sisters and holy families.
3. The most convincing is the witness of life – the urge to be saints as spouses.
4. Organize online prayer meetings for everyone in the province –once a month rosary.
5. Important formation of young people – cooperate with the Sister who is responsible for vocations and look for forms to work with the youth.

Internationally:

1. To organize meetings about Blessed Mother Frances on the occasion of the feasts of the community of the Holy Family of Nazareth.
2. To practice the "holy hour" as a part of a formation meeting.
3. Update knowledge about the documents of the Church and the intentions of the Holy Father.

FRANCE

Within the province:

1. It was discussed how to encourage members to attend the meetings of the AHF on a regular basis.
2. Set a calendar of meetings for the whole year to facilitate participation in meetings.
3. Recall the statutes of the AHF, our tasks, and to be formed at the same level as in other provinces.
4. Introduce a formation program for children and young people from the community of the AHF.

WARSAW

Within the province:

1. Organize a conference on community building in all communities of the AHF; prepare an outline (about the responsibility for building the community, for one another, care for the common good, for order).
2. Strive to ensure that in each community of the AHF during the retreat time, there is a sharing in a small group. Always remind to everyone about the rules of sharing.
3. Ensure that there is always a formation meeting with catechesis for children and young people during the days of recollection and retreats (approx. 15 min.)
4. Teach co-responsibility; involve lay members more often in cooperation.

Internationally:

1. Continue such an international meeting.
2. Spread the cult of the Holy Family in every province (devotions, prayer to the Holy Family).
3. Create regularly, for instance once a year, an international newsletter of the AHF in Polish and English containing some formative elements and showing what is happening in our provinces.
4. Introduce a new element of the ritual of accepting new members according to the model that Blessed Franciszka Siedliskap proposed in the draft statute of the Brotherhood of the Holy Family.
5. On the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the CSFN, organize a symposium on the Holy Family for the members of the AHF and the Sisters of Nazareth.
6. In the year of the Jubilee, organize international prayer meetings thru zoom.

AUSTRALIA AND USA**Within the province:**

1. The morning renewal of the promises was very good and important. To renew belonging in our provinces, to renew and spread love, to deepen faith.
2. As members present at this meeting, we want to be a model for our members from our groups, we want to live what has been said, to communicate it to them, to share this content with them.
3. Undertake to share within the group how we grow, how we follow the Holy Family.
4. Cooperate more with the Sisters, give hints, share ideas, difficulties, cooperate with them, encourage others to do so.

PHILIPPINES**Within the province:**

1. The joy of being together. Share experience as we grow together, CSFN and AHF. Share this international wealth.
2. The need to build community through equal formation. We want to walk together, continue the prayer of the "holy hour" and the monthly meetings.
3. Promote AHF among new families, visit families individually, reach them personally, invite them to join the Association.
4. We want to put the ideas from Poland regarding formation into practice and translate them into our own languages.

BELARUS**Within the province:**

1. Share what we experienced here during three different meetings:
 1. For members of the AHF – a picture of what was, encourage taking responsibility, recalling commitments, plan to organize the meetings as well as the course of the meetings, propose a specific formation.
 2. For the Sisters responsible – tell how AHF works in other provinces, how the sisters work full-time for the Association or how they reconcile their duties. See the priorities, and among those priorities, what priority is the AHF.
 3. For friends – show the perspective of the AHF in the world by asking the question: Why do some of them do not want to join AHF?
2. Translate the formation materials into Belarusian.
3. Monitor the activities of the communities of the AHF from time to time, what the community looks like, what formation looks like, what is happening - meetings with Sisters and community leaders.
4. Translate or write in Belarusian a biography of mother Foundress.

5. Organize meetings with families leaving Belarus and moving to Warsaw, surround these families with pastoral care.

Internationally:

1. Organize international meetings, for instance once every 3 years, to establish perspective, read the signs of the times.
2. Organizational meetings, for example between Poland-Belarus, e.g. symposium, invite Sisters and families from Ukraine.

CONCLUSIONS:

As a result of the discussion and voting, the following initiatives were taken:

1. Organization of the next international meeting of the Sisters Directors and representatives of the AHF in 3 years.

2. Formation materials will be translated into English within the next year until June 30, 2023, and then adopted in all provinces. Belarus and the Philippines will successively translate the materials into their own languages.

The Provinces undertook to translate the following materials:

1. Fiat voluntas Tua – sr. Justyna Czerwińska
2. The Holy Family is our model – SNR Kraków
3. Following Jesus of Nazareth – SNR Belarus
4. With Mary in Our Families – SNR USA
5. Under the care of Saint Joseph – SNR Warsaw
6. Living the power of the Holy Spirit – SNR Kraków
7. The Family as a Domestic Church – Sr. Justyna Czerwińska
8. Spreading the Kingdom of God – Sr. Lucyna Frączek

3. The international newsletter will be issued in January each year. By the end of December, materials should be sent in the form of texts and photos (approx. 2,000 characters and 2-3 photos). The first issue will be prepared by the AHF from Warsaw, Bożena and Janusz Malcowie.

4. We introduce the candle symbol into the ritual of joining the AHF. Sr. Maksymiliana Dojcz will develop appropriate materials to add them to the textbook for Sisters directors of the AHF.

At the end Sister Speranza thanked all the participants for a beautiful and good meeting. Group photo was taken by the statue of the Holy Family in front of the Generalate.