

MISSIONARY SERVANTS OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Regional Meeting - COSTA RICA - HONDURAS

February, 2015

Víctor Machorro, S.T., regional coordinator, welcomes confreres Henry Guerra, S.T and César Muñoz, S.T., while, at the same time saying goodbye to Carlos Zacarías, S.T.

First moment: Prayer

- Our confrere Alexis led us in prayer while thanking all for coming together in community and opening our hearts to the Holy Spirit.

Second moment: Context

Victor Machorro and Edgar Solano supplied a context for the dynamics of the pre-Chapter.

Following the guidelines for regional work, space is provided for the reaffirmation of our dreams and our hopes:

- It is important to keep in mind the invitation to on-going formation, understanding it, not only from the dynamic of acquiring knowledge, but also recognizing ourselves as valued, listened to and accompanied
- We should make a commitment and strive to avoid losing the family dynamic. In a special way this has been present in the formation and pre-novitiate houses through the "Dios-Familia" retreats (Edgar Solano's project through the experience of Father Denis and Father John. These afford the laity and those in formation the possibility to be pedagogically integrated into the charisma of the congregation).
- Let whoever is responsible for formation bear in mind the importance of being close to those in formation. That allows them to see the dynamic with a richer focus.
- From the starting point of the richness of our inter-congregational reality, it is important to assume what is happening around us. The call to conversion from Pope Francis is heard. We cannot remain busy with ourselves, but rather, we should take up the work of evangelizing, taking advantage of the circumstances of the moment.

Third moment: Taking counsel

Here we took what was proposed by the region in the pre-chapter meeting. We then we analyzed carefully the proposals which were more forceful and after a consensus we formulated the following proposals.

Fourth moment: Proposals

First proposal:

1. What is the issue? MINISTRIES
2. What is the specific proposal? In view of our preoccupation with formation and seeing that our community is open to parish and non-parish work, we propose that, the gifts of a brother be considered, respected and promoted, for a given task, as long as it is in accordance with: sharing in the Church, it is within the charisma of the congregation and the needs of the community.
3. How is our life and mission as Missionary Servants benefitted? Giving life to the person that possesses the gift and to the community he serves.
4. With whom did you take counsel? Victor, Alexis, Edgar, Carlos, Jaime, Henry and César.

Second proposal:

1. What is the issue: MINISTRY - FORMATION
2. What is the specific proposal? In view of our preoccupation with formation, we propose that the congregation open parishes near where formation takes place so that those candidates in formation develop their identity as Missionary Servants from vocational promotion to perpetual vows.
3. How is renewal of our life and mission as Missionary Servants benefitted? Giving a response to the lack of identity and the accompaniment of our brothers in formation.
4. With whom did you take counsel? Víctor, Edgar, Carlos, Alexis, Jaime, Henry, César

Third proposal:

1. What is the issue? COMMUNITY LIFE
2. What is the specific proposal? That a committee of fraternal life be formed to analyze during the intervening years how we have accompanied each other as brothers and help us visualize the resources that the congregation has to resolve difficulties in our cenacles.
3. How is the renewal of our life and mission as Missionary Servants is benefitted? By the creation of a healthy community making use of and taking advantage of the human resources we have.
4. With whom did you take counsel? Víctor, Edgar, Carlos, Alexis, Jaime, Henry, César