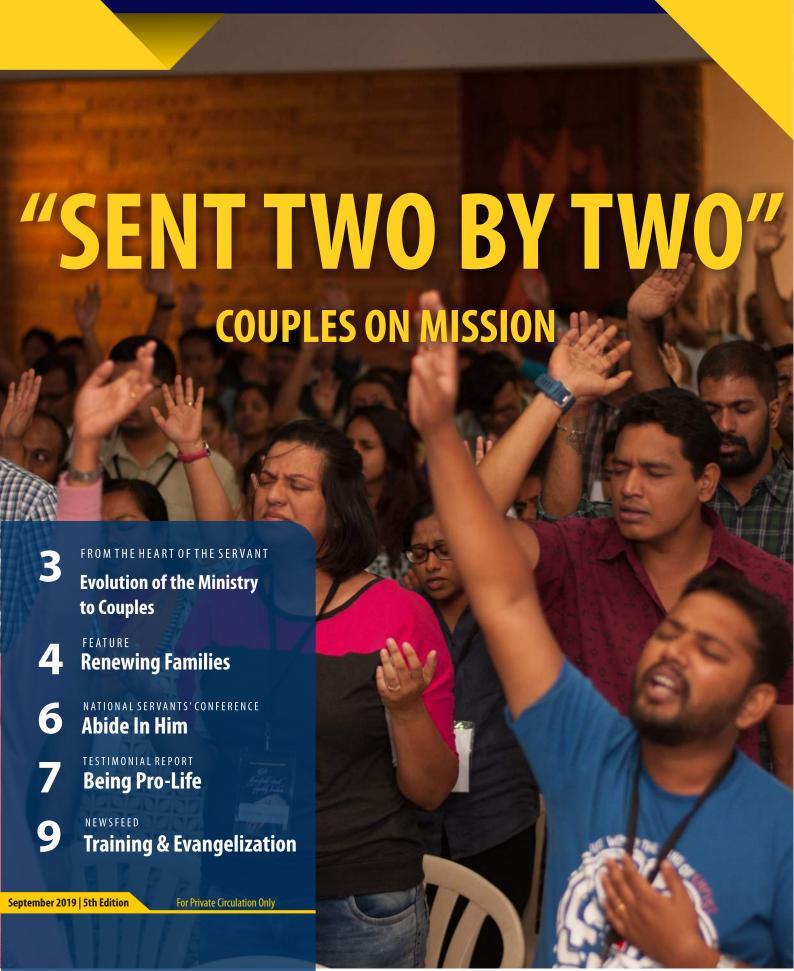
## **COUPLES FOR CHRIST INDIA NEWSLETTER**





# AS FOR ME AND MY HOUSEHOLD, WE WILL SERVE THE LORD. Joshua 24:15

This edition of the Newsletter is focused on the Couples ministry and I would like to share with you on how my family came to be a part of this ministry and how it grew from a small group to reach out to many more families.

My wife and I joined Couples for Christ in 2003. A team led by the then Country Servant, Tony and Maria Correia and two other couples from Goa – travelled to Patna to deliver the sessions and share their lives at the Parish. For the initial two days my wife, Maria and I did not attend the program. The team was staying at our house for the duration of the program and all their needs were taken care of by Maria and me. On the second night, the team knelt down and prayed for us the whole night. On the third morning is when we decided that this is where the Lord is calling us to join the program. We truly believe that it was through the intercession of the team that we were brought into the Couples for Christ community. The team visited us often after the initial program to impart growth teachings and to look after our spiritual needs on a regular basis.

Fourteen families initially joined in Patna and there was great joy in attending the Household meetings. We continued growing and as we grew, we knew that the message of God's love to the families must spread out. New leaders were identified and within a couple of years of the community starting in Bihar, we started a mission outside our state – in West Bengal.

What stood out during our mission was the unity with which we worked. We were one in mind in serving those whom God had placed before us. We all stayed in the village and we were surprised to see the men guarding the village at night and attend the program during the day because their village was disturbed by wild elephants for many years. After five days when every family in the village started reading the Word of God the elephants started passing through their village in a single line. Seeing this many villages joined CFC.

Acts 14:3 So they remained for a long time, speaking boldly for the Lord, who testified to the word of his grace by granting signs and wonders to

#### be done through them.

As we ministered to the people there were constant signs and wonders that accompanied our preaching, what we had read in the Acts of the Apostles was coming alive in front of our eyes. By the grace of God, we then further spread to the Assam, Jharkhand, Orissa and Chhattisgarh and today there are large number of community present in these states especially in the tribal areas. This has brought about a great revival in the Catholic communities of these areas.

The community today is helping many couples and families experience a transformation in their lives, seeing signs and wonders. This is possible, not on our own strength but that of the Holy Spirit and the clergy in these areas who have given us much support. The Church is heavily invested in ensuring that family life is in line with what God desires of it in the context of the teachings of the Church and the CFCI community is indeed ready and willing to help the Church in realizing this mission.

...the Second Vatican Council emphasized the spirituality born of family life... lay spirituality will take its particular character from the circumstances of married and family life... family cares should not be foreign to that spirituality-Amoris Laetitia 313.



**COUNTRY SERVANT-A. V. JOSE** 

### FROM THE HEART OF THE SERVANT



## **EVOLUTION OF THE MINISTRY TO COUPLES**

In 1981, a Christian community in Manila looked to evangelizing and bringing couples into its fold. They had been conducting prayer meetings where most of the participants were women. They then realized that if the men were not being renewed and not actively participating in the life of the family, the renewal of families would not work well.

So the leaders of the community invited couples to a renewal program. 16 couples participated. But at the end of the program, rather than just joining the community, the leading of all involved was to form an entirely new ministry focused on couples. Thus was Couples for Christ born.

Since then, Couples for Christ has grown tremendously, reaching millions, spreading to many countries, and touching the lives of all members of the family, including kids, youth, singles, widows/widowers, and others. Many lives have been transformed, marriages strengthened and families renewed.

The work of Couples for Christ is crucial to the well-being of the Christian family in the world today. The family is under savage attack. Indeed, a prophetic word at Fatima is that the final assault will be against marriage and the family. That assault is under way.

The purpose of Couples for Christ is to renew the family and to defend life. It starts with the renewal of the individual, bringing about transformation in Christ and empowerment by the Holy Spirit. Then it works on the relationship of husband and wife, teaching them about

their respective roles, getting them to live their marital covenant to a high degree, providing a support environment with other couples, and urging them on to unilateral, unconditional, self-sacrificial love. Then it works on the whole family, providing distinct support groups to each and every member of the family, at their respective stages of life.

But it is not enough that couples and families are renewed, but that they also participate in the work of helping renew others. Thus Couples for Christ is very evangelistic. Its members share Christ with their relatives, friends, neighbors, co-workers and everyone else, who are then invited to its evangelistic program, the Christian Life Seminar (CLS). After the CLS, those who finish are invited to join the community and fully participate in its life and mission.

The family is a creation of God and is crucial for the life of the world. No wonder that it is being assaulted by the forces of darkness. And unfortunately, many marriages have crumbled, many families have disintegrated, many Christian homes dissolved. But the Spirit of God is still at work. God has not abandoned the family. Many today are being renewed, and are forming networks that strive to bring about the renewal and strengthening of God's original purposes and design.

Couples for Christ will continue to strive to do its share, renewing couples, strengthening the bonds of marriage, and raising families in the Holy Spirit that will help renew the face of the earth.

**SERVANT GENERAL - FRANK PADILLA** 



The married couple are therefore a permanent reminder for the Church of what took place on the cross; they are for one another and for their children witnesses of the salvation in which they share through the sacrament.

POPE FRANCIS- Amoris Laetitia 64

## **RENEWING FAMILIES**

Families are the primary unit which plays a crucial role in the society in general and the Church in particular. Today significant changes on the social, political and economic front are posing several challenges to families and society at large. On the Christian level, there is a breakdown of Christian values. The teachings of the Catholic Church are being distorted. Thus, families are losing their true nature and purpose of it's participation in the mission of the Church. Many people get married but very few are prepared to embrace the sacrament of Matrimony without losing its essence. Prayer life and sacramental life in the family have drastically declined.

Today we witness an increased recourse to a contraceptive culture, domestic violence, single parents – especially mothers, teenage pregnancies, and increased rates of abortion, child abuse, acceptance of LGBT groups, legalization of gays marriages in several countries. The need for strong families in the Church and society is indispensable.

The importance of the family for the life and wellbeing of society entails a particular responsibility to support and strengthen marriage and the family. (CCC 2201).

Here comes the role of communities like CFCI. CFCI is a lay evangelistic and missionary community which works closely with the clergy, local parishes and Catholic institutes towards discipling families. Encouraged by the Family Commission of the CCBI, CFCI equips couples, families, youth, kids to face these ever-increasing social, political and economic challenges being thrown each day.

CFCI conducts various seminars, couples' conferences,



retreats and weekly meetings. It provides practical steps to meet day to day challenges. For instance, the community encourages couples to dedicate time with their spouses called 'Quality Time', where couples have heart to heart conversations with each other. Through weekly meetings, community members challenge one another to build a strong foundation for family life through personal prayer, word of God and family prayer. In addition, there are annual celebrations and get-togethers that help build fellowship among members, sharing the love of Christ (1 John 1:3 - 'what we have seen and heard we proclaim to you also, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ.'). The community also focuses on the importance of teachings of the Catholic Church, and programs organized during the year focus on fixed themes. This helps couples understand their role in the context of building the Church.

The Clergy and Catholic institutes support the community by opening doors to conducting programs at their schools and parishes. Parish priests willingly encourage young couples and families to attend Christian Life Seminars (CLS). The CLS is followed by formation programs which include various teachings, recollections, retreats, weekly meetings.Catholic institutes are slowly reaching out to CFCI to conduct one-day initial retreats for students thus helping the young lay a strong foundation in Christ.

In these myriad ways, the members of the CFCI community under the guidance of the Church are looking at restoring the true essence and call of families.

Tulip **CFCI Chennai** 



### **TESTIMONIES**



Our life in the community, has groomed us as individuals, it has helped us in introspecting our lives and disciplining it in the light of God's word, I personally received the grace to accept my spouse and children the way they

are, being more empathetic towards them, I surrender my family each day into God's mighty hands and receive from him all that is in store for me, with the conviction that he is greater than all my fears and worries and that he makes all things for good for those who trust in him.

#### Dominic and Thelma, South Bangalore.

Sandeep and I have been a part of CFCI-Gurgaon for around 2 years. Where God was once on the periphery of our lives, he now occupies centrestage. Our faith in God has s t r e n g t h e n e d



immeasurably and this has brought us peace and assurance in our toughest hours. We have grown too in love and empathy, and this has happened only because of the reinforcement of Christian values through teachings. Where once we were adrift in a new city, we now have a family! I find I now have the patience and wisdom to be a better parent. I devote more time to my children and am now a better friend to them.

#### Sandeep and Joeanna, Gurgaon.



Our Family was coping with the death of my father and also coming to terms with a change of our house. The new environment was resulting in deep brokeness and

we were in the verge of collapsing when CFCI knocked at our doors and our hearts. It welcomed us into it's family, taught us love, life and happiness. As one family, then we decided to follow the Gospel according to **Joshua 25:15**  "As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord". The Community teachings and fellowship has instilled Christian values in each of our hearts and has visibly transformed our lives. Family prayer, Quality time with Spouse, Personal prayer and Word of God has taken the front seat and is steering our lives forward.

#### Alex and Reena, Chennai.

In this busy world as we see it, we had always planned and desired to set a standard lifestyle with our jobs in different places and we lived apart. Little did we know that SOMEONE would change our hearts and minds. Yes! The Lord brought



us together for this one purpose-To Serve Him by serving one another. It's our first year at CFCI – Couples and we already felt the close pull of our Lord. When we thought we could not make time for anything else apart from work, God has always made us a way to give our dedication and help whenever needed. Knowing that the Lord is walking with us, we were assured that the deeper we put our trust in Him, the easier He made us feel. Many worries and difficulties come our way, but with the strong faith and understanding we got at CFCI leads us to bravely take steps forward. We strongly desire to surrender our lives to the Lord so He can mould us to spread His word and love.

#### Christopher and Sheryl, Mangalore.



After almost 21 years of being part of the CFCI community, it as vital as the breath of life. The community has been our life support in more ways than one: invigorated our faith and helped us develop a closer relationship with God. These

members are more like a family to us, always interceding, always there for any assistance through good times and difficult times. When we need correction or build-up, we can count on genuine support and guidance, along with a constant prayer army. The fellowship is combined with food for the soul, through relevant spiritual inputs and teachings to nurture ourselves, our marriages and familiy lives and Christian walk.

#### Ralph and Frances, Mumbai.



## **ABIDE IN HIM**

Servants from all over the country, came together to attend this year's National Servant's Conference held at Pastoral Institute, Bajjodi from 1 June to 2 June 2019. Since the past few years, we felt we were being called towards an intimate relationship with the Father, through Lord Jesus and the Holy Spirit. This year we felt we are being called to '**Abide in Him**', which is from the verse John 15:5.

The first session conducted gave an introduction to this year's theme. The kind of relationship we are all called towards the Father is that of a branch remaining in the vine to bear good fruits. As long as we, His people, remain with Jesus, we will continue to bear good fruits. When we choose to abide in Him, we recognize our identity as His Beloved. We don't need to work for this identity but simply receive it. We can abide in the Lord as long as we are led by the Holy Spirit, live by His Word and glorify God at all times.

The second session was on the 'Grace to Abide' where we discovered that we simply cannot abide on our own strength but only through the strength of His Grace. Grace is a free gift given to us by God and it helps us in our weaknesses. Grace helps to build an even more intimate relationship with God. We receive



it through God's Word, prayer and Sacraments. Not much heed is given to the importance of receiving the graces through Sacraments but Jesus is very much alive and working through the power of His Word and Holy Spirit via the Sacraments. Every time we receive a Sacrament, the Lord makes available to us fresh graces to continue living in accordance with His Will. Sacraments are channels of grace for us to be sanctified and to be saved. Through the various Sacraments available to us, the Holy Spirit is forming us into the image of Christ.

The third session was on '**Praying the Eucharist**' where it was explained that the celebration of the Eucharist is the core of our Faith. The way we attend the Eucharist needs to be revisited – we quietly follow what everyone else is doing, pay attention, and many other things except that Eucharist takes precedence and mostly we become the focus rather than Jesus.



The central point of the Eucharistic celebration is the breaking of the Word, to learn, understand and apply it to our lives. And also to offer the sacrifice of Jesus to the Father for He alone is the unblemished Lamb who died once and for all for our sins. The eucharistic celebration involves in giving the

perfect sacrifice i.e. Jesus who died on Calvary which is being re-lived every time the priest raises the Host. We are called to worship which is a form of honoring God. It is more to 'give' rather than to 'get'. We celebrate the Eucharist to worship the Lord and desire for Him to transform our lives. The Eucharistic celebration goes beyond that hour because we become His instruments to the world. We too are called to offer ourselves in the Eucharistic liturgy to surrender our minds, hearts and lives to Jesus who is both the High Priest and the Sacrifice. We can truly abide, when the Eucharist is our source.

With that, the first day of the conference came to an end along with some activities and hymns. On the second day, the Eucharist was celebrated by Fr. Anil D'Souza, Spiritual Director of CFCI Mangalore. The last session was conducted by Rev. Fr. Milton Gabriel Gonsalves, Executive Secretary, CCBI Commission for Family, post which there was a time of sharing among the groups. The concluding speech was given by Elvis Coutinho, interim Country Servant and with this, the two-day conference came to an end.



Ophilia D'Souza Mangalore

## **BEING PRO-LIFE**

Jonathan and Joshila Demello, CFCI Couples Goa share their experience of having a large family and embracing a Pro-Life lifestyle.

#### How many members are there in your family?

My wife and I are married for 11 years and are blessed with 6 children: Jordain (10), Jeremiah (9), Jonas (7), Judith ( $5\frac{1}{2}$ ), Jairus (4) and Jemimah (8 months).

#### What is being Prolife mean to you?

Pro-life to us means being open to accept life and to cocreate with our Creator. It means being willing to be a channel for new life to conceive, spring forth and be born.

The transmission of human life is a most serious role in which married people collaborate freely and responsibly with God the Creator. It has always been a source of great joy to them, even though it sometimes entails many difficulties and hardships.

Pope St. Paul VI, Humanae Vitae

#### What are the joys of having a large family?

The joys of having a large family are over-flowing. It just means more of everything:

More faces at the table, more of life to share.

Happiness becomes contagious and laughter a song.

With them all around, no day is too long.

The more children there are, the more of everything there is:

The more hugs, the more jostles and all the more kisses.

The more squabbles, the more noise,

The more silly the fights,

The more forgiveness, The more closeness,

The more fearless nights

There's more of variety

There are more differences to celebrate.

There's more of memories and much more to create.

There's more joy, more suffering, more love, more pain.

## What were your personal apprehensions of adopting pro-life lifestyle? And how did you overcome them?

We always believe that we are led by God. As God says in Genesis 1:28 - "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth" and in Matthew 6:33 God says He will provide.

We truly believe that God provides and we are experiencing it for real. If God gifts a child, He will provide everything for the child. We are just caretakers to ensure the baby is brought forth into the world, caring for the baby from conception, as the child has its own soul and personality in the image and likeness of God. When financial security and daily expenses is an issue, we have faith and trust in God since He is in control and will provide. We have unfailing faith in His Divine Providence.

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Jeremiah 1:5

### Have you faced any challenges / societal pressure in adopting a pro-life lifestyle?

Yes, very often. When questioned by society, we explain the reason why we believe in the lifestyle we live: that only God has the power over life and death.

We have been advised more than once to do a Tubal Ligation or to use contraceptives ever since our second child. But we stood firm and moved forward with God in control and today we are happy, greatly blessed and abundantly favored as our six angels are with us in this journey of life. We constantly hear people's opinions, often judged and even our financial situation is speculated. It is ironical since we have consciously chosen to have and nurture more children and ultimately God provides everything. While we grow responsible in

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parenting, we have an assurance that we can leave our concerns and worries with Him and He will take care of all that is needed.

## What is your message for people who would like to adopt a pro-life lifestyle?

We can pro-create or co-create by being open to life. Every sexual act of love need not result in a child. Only God can bless the sexual union with the gift of a child and when that happens, accept the baby with love, receive the baby as a blessing. When you are willing to be open in this area and ready to be a responsible parent, many other blessings will follow in abundance especially in the time of need. You will never lack anything and will always have more than enough. Our journey is a testimony to this.

Children make our world livelier and we enjoy just being together. We love to spend time together with them as one big blessed family. Through our kids we have also grown closer and rooted together spiritually and emotionally. Parenting is challenging, but when God is at the centre of the family life, He also gives grace to take care of the children he blesses you with. There is a lot of spiritual growth for parents as well.

#### How has the community helped you in this journey?

The community has been of great support to us. The sharings we have, and the fellowship has contributed immensely towards our journey to become better spouses and parents to our children. There has always been tremendous prayer support when any situation arises, concern, motivation. It has also helped in the spiritual growth of our children, leading prayers at home, learning about the Word, practicing in our daily lives and we see these testimonies in our daily lives that not only strengthen our faith, but also encourages us to Holiness.

## How do you maintain a spiritual life in the midst of a huge family?

Family prayer, Scripture reading and the Family rosary is something that we give utmost importance when it comes to building our prayer lives. We also encourage our children to do their personal prayers in the morning which builds their relationship with God. Whenever there is a situation around us, we stay calm knowing and understanding that God is in control and we try to inculcate this in our children as much as possible.

"In families, there are difficulties. In families, we argue; in families, sometimes the plates fly; in families, there is always, always, the cross. Always. Because the love of God, of the Son of God, also opened for us this path. But, after the cross, there is the resurrection. Because the Son of God opened for us this path. Because of this, the family is a factory of hope, of hope of life and of resurrection. God was the one who opened this path. In families, there are difficulties, but these difficulties are overcome with love. Love is a festival. Love is joy. Love is to keep moving forward."

**Pope Francis** 







#### **Encounter**

CFCI Youth, Mangalore in association with Our Lady of Immaculate Conception Church, Urwa, **Mangalore** conducted a fun and enriching summer camp for 74 youth from 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> of May.





#### Chosen

A youth camp was conducted by CFCI Youth, Siolim for 7 youth from 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> of May at Casa Palloti, **Assagao, Goa.** 





#### **Household servants Training**

A training program was given to the household servants on the 18<sup>th</sup> of May at **Akalpur, Jammu.** 





#### **Rourkela CLS**

A CLS for young couples was conducted for 8 couples and 3 handmaids from the 14<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> of May at Hamirpur Parish, Sacred Heart Cathedral, Rourkela, **Orissa.** 





#### Young Couples Conference-Mumbai

The Young Couples unit of the CFCI had it's first Annual Conference on the 19<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at Vinalaya, **Mumbai.** The 24 young couple participants were taken through a journey from their courtship to their family.





#### Leader's Training Program

6 couples and 10 singles attended the training programme on the 19<sup>th</sup> of May in Fulwadi and Paraspada Parishes, **Maharasthra.** 





#### **Youth Mission-Assam**

Household Servants Training was conducted in 15 villages in **Assam** from the 8<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> of May 2019.

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

REGIONAL YOUTH CONFERENCE HINDI

4<sup>th</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2019 ASSAM

- YOUNG COUPLES' CONFERENCE 27<sup>th</sup>OCTOBER 2019 PUNE
- REGIONAL YOUTH CONFERENCE ENGLISH

  8<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2019

  GOA
- FAMILY DAY
  24<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2019
  GOA
- FAMILY DAY

  8<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2019

  BANGALORE





#### Youth Mission-West Bengal

Household Servants Training was conducted in 6 villages in **West Bengal** from the 19<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> of May. 2019.





#### **FTPW Recollection**

40 Full Timers from all over the country attended the two day program held on the 30<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> of May at the Shanthi Kiran Pastoral Institute, Bajjodi, **Mangalore.** 





#### Loved Ignited Transformed (L.I.T)

CFCI Youth, Mumbai organized a summer camp for 80 youth from 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> of May at Vinayalaya, Chakala, Andheri East, **Mumbai.** 





#### **Encounter**

A youth camp was conducted by CFCI Youth, Vasco for 28 participants from 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> of May at Palloti home, **Chicalim, Goa.** 





#### **Fully Alive**

CFCI Youth, North Bangalore conducted a summer camp for the youth aged 16 to 20 years from 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> of May for 21 participants at Shanthi Nilayam, **Bangalore.** 





#### **Christian Life Seminar**

CFCI Gurgaon conducted a CLS for 15 Singles for 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> of May at Sadbhavna SVD House, **New Delhi**.





#### **Heartchamps Training**

21 youth and singles combined, 1 couple attended a training programme on the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> of May in **Mangalore.** 





#### **Glow**

15 participants attended the CLS on the  $26^{th}$  of May at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, **Pune.** 





#### **Shirpur Mission**

A one day mission was conducted by the Full Timers at Shirpur Station, **Nashik** Diocese on the 31<sup>st</sup> of May.





#### Glow

Summer camp for the youth was conducted from 30<sup>th</sup> of May to 1<sup>st</sup> of June at the Blessed Sacrament Retreat House, **Santa Cruz, Goa.** 





#### **Live Out Loud**

CFCI Youth, South and Central Bangalore conducted a summer camp for 27 youth from 31<sup>st</sup> of May to 2<sup>nd</sup> of June at Prerana Ignatian Spirituality Centre, **Bangalore.** 





#### **Kids Camp**

The kids camp was a stay in camp for children between the age group of 8 to 12 yrs on the  $1^{st}$  to  $2^{nd}$  of June at Rosarian monastery seminary, **Bangalore**.





#### SWAG-Saved with Amazing Grace

20 participants attended the one day program on the 16<sup>th</sup> of June at NBCLC**, Bangalore.** 





#### **Come Alive**

We had a one day program for 45 participants on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of June at Dhyana Ashram, Mylapore-**Chennai.** 





#### **Couples CLS**

5 couples & 3 handmaids attended the Couples CLS on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of June at Yuva Vikas, **Bangalore.** 





#### **Campus Retreat**

340 students attended the retreat at St.Joseph Pre University College for First year students on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> of June, **Bangalore.** 

### **YOUTH CAMP**

The Youth Camp is a 3-day retreat designed for Youth aged 13-21. In this unique form of a retreat, the program is completely conducted by Youth who give the sessions, facilitate the sharing, lead the worship and conduct the activities and games under the guidance of Couple Formators.

The Youth Camp brings together faith and fun to bring the Good News to this age group. Basic sessions on understanding the love of God manifest through Christ are given and the participants are then led to repentance in preparation for receiving an outpouring of the Holy Spirt.

For an age-group high in energy, the games and activities lead the participants how clean fun can be a part of their lives and bring bonding among those striving to do what is right in God's eyes.



## PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



### **MEMORARE**

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

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#### **Come and See**

19 couples attended the CLS on the 9<sup>th</sup> of June at NBCLC, Bangalore.





#### No One in Need

An outreach program was organised on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of March at Asha Bhavan Home, **Bangalore** for the destitute and old aged women.





#### No One in Need

An outreach program was organized with the children of different faith in the slums of Don Bosco Church parish at Lingarajpuram, **Bangalore** on 29<sup>th</sup> of June.





#### **Amazing Love**

2 couples attended the First CLS conducted on the 7<sup>th</sup> of July at St. Margaret Church Parish Hall, **London.** 





#### **Campus Retreat**

400 students attended the retreat at St. Joseph Commerce College for First year and post graduation students on the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> of July in **Bangalore.** 





#### **Christian Life Seminar**

Couples CLS was conducted for 8 couples from the 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> of July at Navjivan Retreat Centre, Civil Lines, **New Delhi**.





#### Christian Life Seminar

The 16 couples attended the Couples CLS on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of August at St. Xavier's Parish, **Ahmedabad.**