

XVIth World CLC General Assembly

From our Roots to the Frontiers
"This is my son, The Beloved. Listen to what He says" (Mk 9:7)
Lebanon 2013



Report Day 3

Today is the third day of the Assembly. We began with a prayer in three languages.

We started with the ExCo report on "Apostolic networking and advocacy". Our community has been involved in making connections in the ministries related to migration, ecology, UN working groups and education.

Our World president, Daniela then made her final formal comments after 10 years devotion to the World ExCo. All delegates gave our tributes with a standing ovation. It was such a touching moment.

Back from the morning break, Franklin and Chris reported on the financial statement of the previous 5 years and it was approved by the community. In response to the present financial status, three proposals on future financial development were made. They are about membership; dues formula; apostolic fund and Progressio.

In the afternoon session, three observer CLC communities were moving towards full status as national communities. Lithuania was recommended by France; Guatemala was introduced by El Salvador and Nicaragua; Botswana was proposed by South Africa. Their "God-parent" CLC groups shared the growth and development of their "God-child" within these years accordingly, and the incorporation were warmly accepted and welcomed by the community.

A session on amendment of GP and GN was followed. The community listened to the suggestions and justifications made by the Exco, France and Spain CLC. Clarifications and feedbacks to the propositions were made by different national communities and discussions will be continued.

After break, Chris Micallef, on behalf of the Exco, shared the reflection on how to deepen our self- understanding as a Lay Apostolic Body (LAB). First, he helped the community to revisit the history of our roots of this call. He stressed the important elements, i.e. commitment and membership, financial co-responsibility and simple life style, which lead us to be a living community. More will be explored in the coming days.

The evening Mass was prepared by the delegates from the North American region.

The day ended with a regional meeting and different regions got closer connections within its boundary.

Hong Kong delegates