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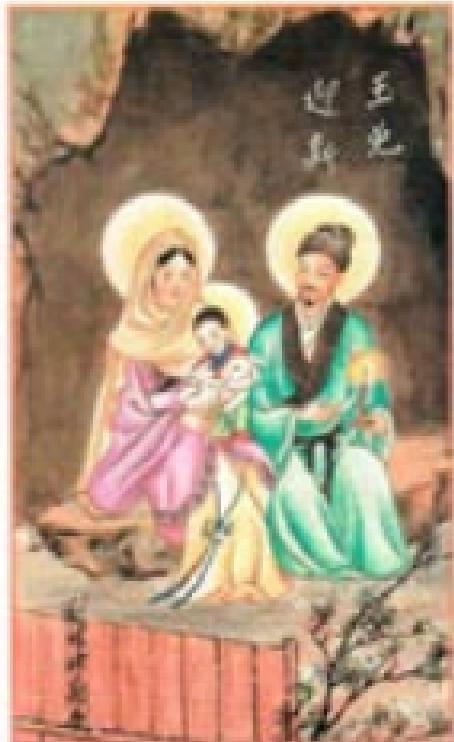
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A Christmas Message from Bishop Juvencio



"And the Word was made flesh . . ."

- John 1:14

*H*appy peaceful wishes and blessings for a Blessed Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.

As we look forward to our National Convention in March next year, may the Holy Family of Nazareth help us progress with a humble and joyful spirit as brothers and sisters of Jesus, the Emmanuel - God in us all. We welcome Jesus - the Bread of Life, the sustaining and healing power, to be present in Faith amidst the challenges of daily life. MERRY CHRISTMAS & A BLESSED NEW YEAR! May God bless you all.

With love,

— *Bishop Juvencio*
Bp. Cespedes Juvencio, FFCWO, PhD

Tacloban Chapter



July 17, 2011 • Medical Mission and Free Feeding
to 200 indigent children 12 years old and below.



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President's Message



Christmas, the joyful time of the year for being, sharing and giving, is here again, a time of sharing God's love, peace, joy, warmth and goodwill between all people.

For the National Board 2010 has been peaceful, joyful and fruitful. Meeting and knowing our sisters from different chapters was a very joyful time for us, especially the bonding session despite the very short time. The members of sharing our members' life and joys will never be forgotten. It has been such a wonderful and lovely way of getting to know one another.

After the 1st Provincial and Diocesan meeting last March, the National Board continued its much chapter visitation that made last October 10 in Davao City. With the company of our very supportive National Board and our beloved Bishop Lino G. Consunji, we were able to complete the visits to our 12 chapters through out the Philippines. This was also an accomplished part of my obligation as your leader by visiting these places.

The Davao visitation we had in Davao City last October 10, was one of success. It was through the support of the leaders of the Zamboanga chapter headed by their president and one of the National Board of Directors, Rev. Arnold Kai Manay, priests were also brought from the Mindanao Mission and I hope that it will be a continuing project not only by the Federation but more especially by every chapter.

We had our 2nd National Board Meeting in Davao City on October 19, 2010 with an almost perfect attendance. Most of the agenda were the preparation for our coming National Convention. The Davao Chapter headed by President Lino G. Consunji, Chairwoman Rev. Fr. Alfonso Balangiao and Rev. Fr. Ray Pascual and other committee heads sat with the National Board and discussed the programs of activities. Later on did an audit inspection of the work of our committees.

Bishop Lino, right Board members, and I had a great time in Davao City as we did some sightseeing, enjoyed food and prepared food headed by our beloved sisters. We were all in awe to be overwhelmed at the grandeur of our sister during our National Convention (Chairwoman, Rev. Fr. Alfonso Balangiao) and Rev. Fr. Ray Pascual and other committee heads sat with the National Board and discussed the results.

Our 3rd National Convention on March 1, 2 and 3, 2011 in our 10th, the National Board are here to see you all in Davao City to witness the board we had in our last National Convention (Chairwoman, Clark, Philippines).

The Davao chapter ladies together with their very supportive Fr. Alfonso and Fr. Ray are now busy preparing the programs of activities. Everyone is trying her best for the success of the convention and let's wish the world support them. Let me take this opportunity to invite you to our next National Convention. Hope to see you all in Davao City.

In closing, may Christmas will be all our sisters in the Federation love and peace, sharing with one another during the year another celebrating our tradition (let us pray and work together with God's grace). A Blessed Christmas and a Prosperous New Year to all!

*R. Yau
P.C.W.O.
National President*

MESSAGE, May August 2011 issue.
President's Message instead of the usual "Federation
in Enlightenment Number"

In Memoriam



Lourdes Fan Chau

October 3, 1935 - September 21, 2011

Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice Awarded
President, St. Mary's Association, 1973-74; 1980-81
President, FPCWHO 1986-1988

Tita Bihua, as she was fondly called by family and friends, was married to the late Romeo Chau at an early age. They were blessed with five children, four girls and one boy, all of whom are now very successful in their chosen fields.

She was usually called Tita Lourdes in the Queen of Peace Parish, was an example of an ideal wife and an exemplary mother. She was a committed and responsible church worker. She decorated the church during special occasions like Christmas, Easter and other celebrations. All of these she did with love, passion and dedication using her God-given talent and artistic skills.

It has been a "Tradition" to hold our Christmas party at Tita Bihua's house every year because of her elegant way of celebrating this special season. She was the ever gracious host, full of warmth and graciousness she could make everyone feel comfortable and at home.

When she knew that her cancer was beyond cure, she made it a point to spend quality time with her loved ones. She even went on a cruise with all her five children.

Until the end, she never questioned God about her illness. She never wavered in her faith and surrendered everything to His will.

We consider her as the mother of St. Mary's Association of the Queen of Peace Parish in Bucold City. She is a great loss to our association and we will surely miss her.

Remembering Tita Louder Chua

Fr. Art C. Dy, SJ

London, 21 September 2011 - I really don't think I have been sensory perception (ESP), but as I prayed this morning, I suddenly thought of Tita Louder Chua, recalling my visit to Bacolod in last August of last year. Little did I know that she had already returned to the Lord a few hours previously. I saw the news from Bishop Julian and Theresa Tan only tonight, already Thursday (Sept. 22) in Manila.

I first met Tita Louder about ten years ago. She was preparing for the FPCCWO convention to be held in Bacolod, and had heard about me because I had just published my first book, *Waking a Dream*. The Chinese-Filipino Apostolate was beginning to reflect a lot about integrating the Catholic faith with Chinese-Filipino culture, and she invited me to be one of the speakers at the national convention, even if I was still a novitiate then. Some months after that, I spoke at the convention and it was the beginning of my very warm and friendly relationship with the FPCCWO, a relationship that I have maintained over the years, working with a succession of national presidents and boards. The FPCCWO has been a regular setting for discussions of issues relevant to the Chinese apostolate, and I have Tita Louder to thank for getting me involved.

Tita Louder was very organized and many will recall her outstanding leadership qualities. After her term as FPCCWO president, she continued being actively involved in the Council of Presidents, in the organizing of conventions, and even in the tedious job of updating the FPCCWO Constitution and By-laws. Her legacy to the FPCCWO will live on in her numerous accomplishments, but more personally, I also remember her as a gentle and elegant lady.

At one of the national meetings of the Chinese-Filipino Apostolate at the Louder Mission Institute, all the participants were having hot drinks during the break. We were all just standing and holding our cups, and the room was a bit crowded. Msgr. John Lin arrived and when Tita Louder turned around to greet him, somehow they bumped each other and her hot drink was spilled on her blouse. I can imagine many women shrinking in shock, but not Tita Louder. She maintained her poise and brushed off the white thing, dismissing the inconvenience to her and moving things along. She didn't lose her composure. That was one of her many gifts. To me, it was a sign of her abiding faith and the power that the Lord had given her.

I also remember the warmth she showed to Tim Ranson, and the joy they shared. I sent a small token for their golden wedding anniversary, and just last year she kindly mentioned to me what I had sent, showing that she had not forgotten. She did not forget the kindnesses shown to her, and she was kind in turn to others.

I was a guest at her home a number of times, and always she showed me the utmost hospitality. Last year, I was in Bacolod on personal business, to visit the Buddhist temples there as part of my PhD research. I had contacted her but she was going through her illnesses and did not respond until some weeks later, but still everything was sorted out and she welcomed me once again to her home. She even accompanied me in my visits to the temples. I particularly recall the long breakfasts in her dining room, where we chatted about so many things, even her health. She talked candidly about it. She was grateful to be able to return to Bacolod after so many months in Manila. She was happy that her children were all making an effort to spend time with her, and without any drama, she said to me in Chinese, "Everyone thinks I am going to die soon." I did not detect any sadness in what she said. It just seemed to be a fact of life that she was ready to face.

A few months later, when I was leading a big group on a pilgrimage to China that started in Manila, I saw her again. We were on the same plane going to Macau. I was very happy to see her still able to travel, enjoying quality time with her loved ones.

Now she has gone home to the Lord, reunited with Tim Ranson and all her beloved friends and relatives. She has joined her ancestors, and has become one of ours in a spiritual way. I give thanks to God for the gift of knowing her, and for the gifts she was to her family, to FPCCWO and the Chinese apostolate, to Bacolod and to the Church. May she rest in peace, and may her memory inspire us all to serve faithfully, as she did.

*A Letter of Condolences from China read at the funeral of the late
FFCCWHO Past President Louise Chua*

Dear Mgr. Tony Ooi,

This is Peter Fung Kamau, Bishop of Hongkong Diocese, P.R.C. China. I have suddenly heard the sad news about the death of Mrs Louise Chua. This is a big loss not only for Dr. Angel and family but also for the Queen of Peace Parish, Bangkok. She had been a very kind and dedicated member of the Catholic community in your parish; she loved and helped so much the priests in your parish and my seminarians who have been staying in Bangkok.

I will offer my humble prayers for Mrs Louise Chua. May God reward her in Heaven. I pray for the family in their difficult time on the loss of their beloved one of the family.

Please dear Mgr. Tony Ooi, pass my short letter on to the family.

Sincerely yours, a brother in Christ and Mary

• Peter Fung Kamau
Catholic Diocese of Hongkong (Imperial) Diocese, China

2011-9-21



Zambales Chapter



Cebu Chapter

"One day Jesus was teaching, and power of the Lord made Him heal." (Luke 5:17)

When we turn to the Lord and ask His Holy Spirit to help us bring Jesus' word to His people, He will answer our request. And we can find ourselves infused with such enthusiasm and love for the Lord that we are enabled to speak words of great comfort and conviction to His people. Through these words of love and wisdom from the Lord God's people can be healed. We can see God's power displayed upon them. We can see them visibly confirmed. We can even see changes in their lives.

The good Lord gives us many opportunities to do His work: to visit a sick neighbor, to console someone who has just lost a loved one, to talk to a friend experiencing the loss of his livelihood. And the list of human sufferings go on... And like Jesus we can reach out to all of them with the loving Word of the Father. And so with Jesus "the power of the Lord will be with us and make us heal" in these ways that one.

Try it one of these days. And see how God can work wonders in our lives.

Father God, I want to help you love your people. Please teach me how.

By Rose Colangon

On December 4, 2011 the Sacred Heart Parish Ladies Association elected its officers for 2012 - 2013. Induction of the Auxiliary Team will be in January 2012.

Sacred Heart Parish Ladies Association

Cebu City
Officers 2012 - 2013

President	Lourdes Bonsante
Vice President	Annie Lao
Asst. Secretary	Jessica Ngilinan
Treasurer	Paula Tan
Asst. Secretary	Betty Lao
Board of Directors	Betty Colangon
	Rose Colangon
	Elizabeth Ro
	Maria Lin Gao
	Lily Ngilinan
Secretary (Vice)	P. Benedicto Sia, R.J.S.

Dumaguete Chapter

Prayer for the Hosting of the CONVENTION 2012

Almighty God, we thank you for the faith you have given to us through your Son, Jesus Christ. We have indeed tried to let that faith give us in us. We submitted ourselves to teach and proclaim your commandments, prayer, fellowship and community life because we believe these are extremely important to your Kingdom.

We praise You dear Father for the Chinese community in the Philippines, the number of those who came ahead of us who faithfully maintained what we are experiencing today: solid faith, beautiful churches and chapels, vibrant communities, growing church congregations and lively worship. We pray for them and all them up to Your living presence and eternal kingdom.

When now bad judgments and persecutions allow the effort we put into the preparation for the hosting of the 2012 National Convention of the FPCWCD. Teach the hearts of the members of the Mary Immaculate French Missionaries Association. Open their hearts to serve strengthen them so that they may truly believe that all is in Your will. Guide them in every step of the way to that mission they carry.

Let them know that you are always there to help and assist. As least send us guides and provide us to know why all that they do is for your greater glory and honor. May all that they do lead to the full (re)turning of the Catholic Church communities in the Philippines. May all that they do grant all of us the realization of living and serving. This we pray in the mighty name of Jesus, with the Holy Spirit and Mary our Mother Amen.

Call To Healing

The 10th National Convention of the Federation of Philippine Catholic Women's Organizations is scheduled on March 1-4, 2012 at the Negros Oriental Convention Center in Bacolod City. The theme of the convention is, "Jesus - Doctor & Healer - The Healer as a Source of Healing."

National delegates have been invited to share their reflections on the Jesus and their personal journey towards healing. Corresponding delegations will be given time to present their discussions in prayer to seek God's providence as they offer alternatives up for holistic healing - spiritual, physical, emotional and social.

Local Delegates, provincial chapter and councils and an array of activities have been organized to complete the weekend gathering. Already, some 200 delegations have registered for the National Convention. (Report as Bacolod and the coming days who will be truly blessed by the Lord in spiritual healing, joyful communion and 2012-2013 appointment. See you there!

18TH NATIONAL CONVENTION
Federation of Filipino-Chinese Catholic Women's Organizations
Regina Oriental Convention Center
March 2 to 4, 2012
TENTATIVE PROGRAM

MARCH 1, 2012 (Friday) 2012.1

After 10:00 AM
 Arrival of Delegates
 Check-in at service desks
 11:00 AM Registration of Delegates & Distribution of Name
 11:00 AM Lunch

10:00 AM Luncheon
 10:00 AM Welcome Speech

OPENING CEREMONIES

1:00 PM	Assembly Eucharistic Celebration Mass Celebrant Concelebrants Color Guard	Rev. Fr. Andrew S. Tong, OFM Rev. Fr. John P. Yu, OIC Worship Team	10:00 AM Welcoming Speech
1:00 PM	Opening Service Welcome of Guests	Philippine Flag FCCWO Banner Presentation of Delegates Presidents, Secretaries with Delegated Powers of Spiritual Advisors Council of Presidents Convention Chairpersons & the Central Committee FCCWO National Officers Filipino-Chinese Apostolate National Secretary Filipino-Chinese Apostolate National Coordinator	
4:00 PM	National Anthem Presentation of Guest Call to Order Invocatory Address Remarks Presentation of FCCWO Delegates President's Message of FCCWO Delegation Song Secretary's Report President's Report	(CIOA Band) FCCWO President Rappler J. Lo FCCWO President Rappler J. Lo Convention Chairperson D. Yu Guest Delegates President John S. Lo Remarks	
4:00 PM	Vote in Progressive Mass	Archbishop L. Tan Archbishop L. Tan	
4:00 PM	Following Grace Amen Scriptural Reading		10:00 AM Welcoming Speech
4:00 PM	Eulogies		

MARCH 2, 2012 (Saturday) 2012.2

After 10:00 AM Liturgy (Masses from all dioceses and their parts)
 11:00 AM Welcoming Speech
 11:00 AM Brochure & Convention Site

MORNING SESSION

8:00 AM	Delegates Eucharistic Celebration Mass Celebrant Concelebrants Color Guard	Rev. Fr. Andrew S. Tong, OFM Rev. Fr. John P. Yu, OIC Worship Team	10:00 AM Welcoming Speech
10:00 AM	Installation of Raymond S. Tong Raymond Address Presentation of Gift of Appreciation	Rev. Fr. Raymundo T. Pascua, OFM Rev. Fr. John P. Yu, OIC FCCWO President Rappler J. Lo Convention Chairperson D. Yu Presentation of Letters/Resolutions by the Federation Board	
11:00 AM	12:00 PM Lunch		CDF Secretary 10:00 AM Welcoming Speech

AFTERNOON SESSION

1:00 PM		
2:00 PM	Introduction of International Speaker International Talk Open Forum Presentation of List of Applications (Coffee Break)	President Moderator Dr. Sy Anwar I. Gadhia Muhammad Y. Ali WFOC President Report / To Convention Chair Areas II & IV
4:00 PM	Application (Priority Selection)	Muhammad Y. Ali
4:30 PM	Sort in Registration Areas	
5:00 PM	Following Dinner After Show Concert	
7:00 PM		Entertainment

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2012

	After Chapter Unions	
8:00 AM	Post up from Various Hotels	
9:00 AM	Breakfast in Convention Site	
10:00 AM		
	New Officers Commissioners (Coffee Break)	Barbara C. Gadsden Bishop Lesperance L. Austin, DSC, D.D. Dr. Wally Powis
11:00 AM	International Talk Open Forum Presentation of List of Applications	Introduction of International Speaker
11:30 AM	1. Elections of National Officers 2. National Advisory Meeting 3. Secretary Group One	WFOC President Report / To Convention Chair Areas II & IV
12:00 PM	Lunch (One Hour)	
	1. Presentation of Working Results / Work Done 2. Announcement of Election Results and Next Convention Site	
1:00 PM	Free Time	

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

2:00 PM	Chair & Report	
2:00 PM	Report	
	Financial	
	National Officers	
3:00 PM	WFOC President Address (WFOC)	
	Induction of New WFOC National Board Treasurer Committee Advisory Board Presentation of the Officers of the Council of Presidents Induction of Council of President Officers Presentation of Presidential Awards Presentation of WFOC Project of Harmonization To the Host Chapter	President Report / To Presentation of the WFOC National Board 2013-2014 Bishop Lesperance L. Austin, DSC, D.D. WFOC Chairperson President Report / To WFOC Incoming President COP Secretary
		Bishop Lesperance L. Austin, DSC, D.D.
4:00 PM	Following Dinner	Bishop Lesperance L. Austin, DSC, D.D.
	Chair & Report	
5:00 PM	Entertainment During - Singing	

DUMAGUETE CHAPTER VISITATION



3RD NATIONAL BOARD MEETING Dumaguete City, October 14, 2011



BACOLOD CHAPTER VISITATION



BUTUAN CHAPTER VISITATION



ILOILO CHAPTER VISITATION



KALIBO CHAPTER VISITATION



SAN CARLOS CHAPTER VISITATION



SURIGAO CHAPTER VISITATION



ROBES CHAPTER VISITATION



JOLO CHAPTER VISITATION



ZAMBOANGA CHAPTER VISITATION



ZAMBOANGA MEDICAL MISSION



CWA Report of Activities - July - September 2011

CWA Heilo Chapter joyfully celebrated the birthday of Blessed Mother Mary. It was an occasion everyone looked forward to, being the birthday of the most beloved Blessed Mother Mary. What makes the celebration this year more memorable is it coincided with the opening of the newly renovated St. Maria Parish Church in parishioners. It was truly like experiencing to see St. Maria Parish sparkling with splendor that truly reflects the purity and holiness of the good Lord.



The parishioners were delighted to worship in the new church, much more in line than in honor of the Blessed Mother Mary. The celebration which actually happened on September 8, 2011 was preceded with a Holy Novena to the Blessed Mother Mary. On that day, the parishioners and the Marian devotees took part in the procession honoring the Blessed Mother Mary. It was very interesting to note this on the day of the celebration.



Heavy rain poured in the vicinity but just stopped in time for the procession. The fact that this happens almost every year, motivates the goodness of the Blessed Mother Mary in protecting her children from any obstacle that may come along the way. Bishop Theodore Bozic was the main celebrant of the holy Mass. Archbishop Angel Lapusano of the Archdiocese of Iligan was also in attendance. The Honorable Mayor of the City of Iligan,



Patrick Bed Matting and the President of the St. Maria Parish Council, Charles Bo, presented the offerings. Blessings for the church renovation came in time for the celebration. It was indeed a celebration of thanks and praise for all the wonderful things the Lord has done for St. Maria Parish. After the Mass, CWA members handed out packages of the Miraculous Medal set in commemoration tokens to the devotees. Participants were exploded knowing the precious blessings of everyone.



CWA Report of Activities – October to December 2011

October is designated as the month of the Holy Rosary. In observance of this very important celebration, CWA members took turns in leading the rosary at the St. Maria Perpetua. At the end of the celebration all church representatives joined in the living rosary.



On November 26, 2011, CWA members announced the mother-in-law of Aida S. Navarro, Mrs. Chia See Lee, on the occasion of her 95th birthday. It was a fun-filled and joyful evening; the CWA choir also presented a song number.



The Maria-Pygmalion Health Awareness Program, S.J., Rector of Loyola House of Studies, to talk about the Virgin Mary, Model of Adversity, on December 8, 2011. The talk was followed by the blessing of the



new Repository by Archbishop Angel Lagdameo of the Archdiocese of Iloilo. CWA donated a picture that serves as the background of the Repository depicting the 100 Chinese martyrs.



December 11, 2011 was the gift-giving day of the association with the year's theme, "We Care, We Share". Fr. Roderic Gao, S.J. and Fr. Valerio de la Rosa, S.J. delivered short talks during the gift-giving program which included a series of special images given by Mrs. Lourdes Bag of India Lucky Auto Parts, wall art given by Mrs. Georgina Loges of Oceans, and St. Clare King gift certificates courtesy of Mrs. Pernilla, Mrs. Lucy Ho. The members prepared and distributed 250 packages of grocery items which included personal and processed foods donated by Mrs. Estrella Luis of Andrew Marketing and Mrs. Aida S. Navarro of Evergreen Manufacturing, respectively.



Iligan Chapter

Pagpakanang kahg Sr. San Miguel, Sept. 29, 2011



Up Photo (left) Group of the Ladies on the occasion of their President Maria Delia Gutierrez, Secretary General, Secretary Treasurer Free Workers.



Ottmar Chapter

IPCCWO - Ottmar Chapter Holds Free Medical Clinic



Last Oct. 22nd, 2011, The IPCCWO-Ottmar Chapter were so kind to me to the occasion that of the outstanding Province Mary Rose C. Lim and a core group of members, namely: Linda Tolentino (Vice-President), Esperanza Long (Parish Council Treasurer), Amorita Capuno (Ass. Secretary), Vicki Yu, Jessie De Belen Yu, Anita Tio and Loly Tap Lin, that is organizing a Free

Medical Clinic. It was held at the Baloy Bulion Church Daycare Center operated and managed by McDonald's Ottmar under the support of the Bulion St. Anna Parish Church of Ottmar. The IPCCWO ladies contributed to the generous giving to the 20 indigent families being aided by McDonald's Ottmar and Bulion Bulion. The medicines and their fittings items given by McDonald's Ottmar free medicines prescribed by the attending physicians.



September 18, 2011

Celebrated the Mooncake Festival



We enjoyed a little of our time just to be part of these wonderful events.

And then, after 11 months of waiting, here comes the most awaited event of them all! A season full of hope, full of love which inspired us to move further.

And here is Christmas, the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

We, the Davao Sacred Heart Ladies Circle, extend our warmest greetings to each and everyone.

A Merry Christmas to all
and a wonderful
New Year to come.

God Bless everyone!

Christmas Season is here again, here comes to give more through the act of sharing. "We used to give up a little bit of ourselves and all our burdens were to lighten up as we wait for the coming of our Lord Jesus' Next day. It is during this season that we tend to remember and cherish the joys of life and forget the pains and hardships we went through. We feel so alive with hope which makes us more inspired to face the future. We usually feel all of these during the Christmas Season, which is why everybody loves Christmas."

The Davao Sacred Heart Ladies Circle has already made plans on how we could share Christmas to everyone. We addressed the territory of Bishop Escrivé de Balaguer at Lopez Circuit of Maribacan Hotel.



Members of the Davao Chapter gathered to celebrate the Mooncake Festival and the birth of Jesus Christ. Photo by Sister Mary Agnes Valdez, Davao Chapter Director. Photo by Sr. Maria Lourdes Anne Gutierrez, Davao Chapter Director.

Through everyone has her own busy schedule, we did not miss the chance of celebrating this special day with him.

He is an inspiration to all of us that through his words of wisdom he leads us pursue our goal of being present to our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Aside from this event, September had two other memorable ones. The Feast of Our Lady of Piatabuan is close to the traditional Mooncake Festival of the Chinese culture. These celebrations has a lot of meaning because two different cultures are being united as one.

After being thanked to Our Lady of Piatabuan, we experienced the fun of celebrating the Misamis Mid-Autumn Festival.



Feast of Our Lady of Piatabuan (Sept. 19, 2011) and Mid-Autumn Festival (Sept. 21, 2011)

Kalibo Chapter

National Leadership Visitation Strengthened the Commitment of Every Chapter to Serve and Share

Last Sept. 20, 2011 was a Red Calendar Day for the FCCWQ Kalibo Chapter. Kalibo is very lucky to be visited by the National Leadership headed by Bishop Lopeytese Janson, the most supportive Past President Sister O. Ferg (Makati Province), Rachel Lee (Cagayan), Director Mass Lutin (Davao), Board of Directors Edna del Lao (Tagum) and Soila Uy (Cebu), Pastored Uy Pastores (Bukid) and Virgen Pe (Bantay).



The group started their long journey from Bacolod, San Carlos, Bukid, Cagayan. After a short rest at La Imperial Hotel they arrived Mass at Bishop's House in around 8pm, officiated by Bishop Janson with Fr. Roy Quan. A simple dinner and program was rendered at Romeo's Mrs and March. The program was presided by Kalibo Bishop Corazon T. Palaw, members, their families and guests. It was an evening of exchanging happy memories, intermission numbers were performed by the spouses of the members. As a sign of appreciation for the memorable visit, simple tokens were given to the visiting board.

The next morning we took a bus to New Washington, the home town of the late Jaime Cardinal L. Sin, on the way visiting Missionaries of Charity and the Cemetery of the Poor Sisters of Jesus. The group were able to pay for a member of the Missionaries of the late Cardinal Jaime L. Sin buried at the town plaza and visited his house now, a museum, the group paid again for members inside the house.



The Missionaries of Charity takes care of the sick, the elderly, disabled. The institution is the beneficiary of financial material assistance and relatives CHRISTIAN IN SEPTEMBER. We extended financial help to the institution from the shared contribution of the members. Bishop Janson and the group enjoyed interacting with the children, the elderly and the disabled of the center.



At the Poor Sisters Cemetery, Bishop Janson had a pavilion of halo he brought from Davao, Cagayan Islands for it's delicious halo. The group bought some religious items for pavilion.



Before sending off the group to the airport we had lunch at RAYLIO, another hotel in Kalibo owned by the daughter of a member. Kalibo Chapter is thankful for the importance accorded to Kalibo Chapter by the National Leadership.

For a valuable activity of the FCCWQ Board a basketfull of coins for you and may all your future undertakings be successful.

Zambanga Chapter Visitation "A Mission Fulfilled"

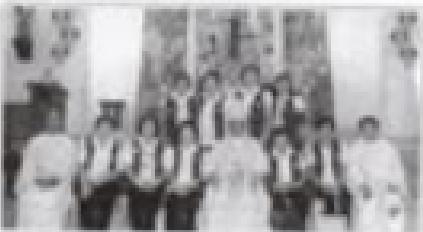
EFFECTW National President Rachel I. Ia was in the company of Bishop Lourdes C. Bacilio, BVM, the National Coordinator and Spiritual Advisor of the Federation and Immediate Past President Melly O. Wong, Treasurer Ana Maria "Lolita" Batulan Director Teresita P. Sola Director Felicidad L. Uy Founder, Lolita by and Krista Lohite for the Chapter visitation last October 11-13, 2013 in Zamboanga City.



In connection with the Fiesta of Our Lady of the Pillar, the City Tourism Office welcomed the pilgrims with a festive cultural show at the arrival section of the Zamboanga Airport to the delight of the passengers and the surprise of our guests.

A beach Mass was set at Abadilla's Camping and at 3:30 in the afternoon, a Mass was officiated by Bishop Pet, accompanied with our Parish Priest Fr. Adrian Bacilio, his assistant Fr. Franklin S. Pascua, together with Fr. Alfonso Cheng and Fr. Joseph Dean of Saint Joseph School.

In his homily, the Bishop narrated a touching story of a patient in a hospital in Taiwan who cried out prophetically "Jesus! Jesus!" Preached Bishop Bacilio added, upon hearing him: "Where is Jesus?" The man replied, "You and your companion. You brought Jesus to me." Likewise, he encouraged all our Chinese Parochians to bring Jesus to others. The induction of the new members of EFFECTWA was included in the Mass.



The group and the local chapter presented to Amoris Catholic Hall for the morning and afternoon Mass. Our local chapter prepared a beautiful cultural program that enthralled our guests.



The following day, Bishop Pet and the mass joined the 8 o'clock Mass at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Pillar Basilica followed at the parish Lenten Mass. The group then proceeded to Saint Joseph Parish to witness and help in the Medical Outreach organized by AFCCWA in collaboration with the "Sharing God's Love Project" of the Federation. One hundred Seventy Five patients availed themselves of the services and medicines provided by the Saint Joseph Chinese Catholic Women's Association (AFCCWA) headed by President Dr. Araceli Tan.

President Rachel and company in this occasion served as to attend the 10th National Convention come 2013 in Davao City. May the Lord continue to bless our Federation.

Mary Margie Wong
EFFECTWA Vice President

San Nicolas de Tolentino Ladies Circle



August 14, 2011 - Induction of new set of officers for years 2011 to 2013 at the San Nicolas de Tolentino Church. We had our 9:30 am Mass and the induction was done after communion. We were so privileged that our National Board headed by National President Rosalba Lai with Immediate Past National President Marly Teng, Treasurer Maria Luisa, Secretary Josephine Lee, Directors Poly Lai, Vergel Po, Poly Uy Pascual were in attendance together with Surigao chapter officers and members. They arrived on time for the induction by Fr. Mariano Balca Jr. off't. Superior.



After the church induction the group proceeded to Gaucho's Hotel for lunch and program. The welcome party ended at 2 pm. At 3 pm our National board together with Surigao chapter officers and members went on a site visit, went to the San Nicolas de Tolentino, then to the SMC church, to the Shrine of our Mother of Perpetual Help and the Sto. Nito de Omaco Convent Building, then to ALMOUNT Beach Resort at Lipao, a swim tour at Matina Public Beach. Dinner at 7 pm was served at Hotel Europa courtesy of incoming President Judy Lai.

The FPCWDO National Board were back to Manila and Cebu via Busan on Monday, August 15.

The condolences to the passing away of 88 years old Remedios Casas, mother of Drs. Linda Chan, our newly inducted FPCD. We joined our Chapter last Aug. 25, 2011. Our Ladies Circle attended the vigil and funeral services.

September 1 - 11 - Our annual Picnic celebration started September 1 with the line of honor Mass at the Cathedral. Our chapter was the sponsor for the Novena Mass on September 3.

September 4, 2011 - a night with Heidi Almonte, Concert for a Cause - Proceeds were the ongoing construction of the Cathedral Rectory.



A Blessing

May angels keep you night and day,
And Mary guide you on your way!

May Jesus ever fill your heart
With peace His only can impart —
All this and more I ask for you,

Blessings to last your whole life through.

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Mary Mediatrix Ladies Circle

A special celebration deserves a special guest. For the the Emerald anniversary of the Mary Mediatrix Ladies Circle "MMLC" for short! Bishop Lourdes, BVD, PPCWCD Spiritual Advisor, was guest of honor. He was welcomed at the airport by the ladies led by Federation President Rapell La and MMLC President Madel Lin.



Sunday, November 27, 2011 was the big day. It started with a Mass presided by Archbishop Orlando Quevedo, OMA, DDC, with Bishop Lourdes and Queen of Peace Parish Priest Fr. Joel Basa, DCC as co-celebrants. A Rosarium followed with the Knights of Columbus KCC and the MMLC members as participants. Bishop Lourdes concluded them with his concluding talk.



In the evening, at the South Seas Grand Pacific Ballroom, it was a night of "night". An evening of glee and pleasure, of music, friendship, merriment and a gathering of kindred spirits. The celebration ended with inspirational messages from the three Pastoral Board of Directors and Hall of Fame members, namely CCP Lily Utz, Theresia Ti Eloy and CCP Conchita Tan. The lighting of the anniversary cake by all the past Presidents, reciting of prayers, a sermon by the Knights of Columbus and a special thanksgiving by selected MMLC ladies. The guest of honor conveyed his message and as expected, it was a blessing to listen to him.



Highlight of the anniversary celebration was the elevation of Madame Rapell Jan La, PPCWCD National President, to the MMLC Hall of Fame. Her accomplishments as a Vice - First president of the Association is an impressive that one would be hard put trying to duplicate her. She was announced by Bishop Lourdes with a popular Chinese song to the delight of the audience.

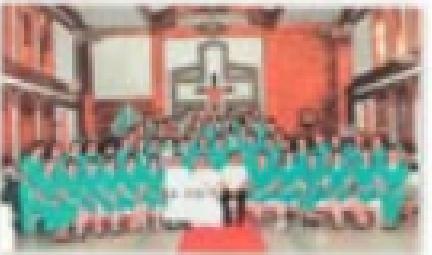


Capping the special event was a toast to the MMLC and a wish for longivity and solidarity of the Association.

Here's looking forward to the Diamond anniversary of the MMLC, in 2016.



Celebrate 55 Years of Sisterhood



A Helping Hand When Needed

Towards midnight of December 16, 2011, people in Cagayan de Oro City need to beat in anticipation of the arrival of the ravages of typhoon Bopha which for Celadon typhoon is a deadly-hope tradition. The early afternoon was turned into a concern as the evening progressed, making day a welcome respite to the cold wind that howled outside their windows.

Unknown to many of them, the Cagayan de Oro Mayor was fast fulfilling his duties and without sparing, he helped women cover hundreds of thousands of their houses over the darkness outside. The early concerns and several are finalized but then, up to this writing no exact figures can be established, but "more than a thousand" is more like it.

Celadon such as this, however, cannot fully put down the human spirit. The San Lorenzo Ruiz Ladies Circle was among the first to respond to the call for her food, dry clothes, warm blankets along with words of comfort that came from compassionate hearts.



The lady came from many parts mostly of Misamis Oriental. Brothers and friends of the Ladies know they would be at the threshold of the rescue mission so, they are wherever they could to help.



FYCCWCI, through its Sharing God's Love Project were among the present drivers. They who also got stranded in Barangay Cagdangin on the back of the Cagayan de Oro River saw this, being nothing but themselves except these two ladies, the ladies waded up to the passengers from their husbands and wives who, except by those love for the Church (God), created a different kind of strength, the thermal ones have!

Just to quote one recipient's remark, "what you are giving is a WISHBONE". This is the first time we received such a precious gift!

For those who helped saying thank you is not enough. You will always be in our prayers.

— Maribel M. Tiong

Alt for Typhoon Bopha sent to Cagayan de Oro, Davao City and Iligan City

FYCCWCI, through President Basquel Co., thank all the generous benefactors who responded promptly to the challenges posed by Typhoon Bopha to the entire country.

Our sister-chapters in Cagayan de Oro, Iligan and Davao City have received the first contributions from the Sharing God's Love funds. The lady that is still coming in is being forwarded to the respective chapters.

The Lord, the Source of all blessings, shall reward you all in His time!