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SPIRITAN NORTHERN ZONE MEETING AT USA RIVER SEMINARY



On October 19, 2023, members of the Spiritan Northern Zone gathered for one of their regular meetings. During this event, the confreres celebrated the Founder's Day in honor of Claude Poullart des Places, whose feast falls on October 2nd.

The primary agenda item was the warm welcome extended to new members in the zone. These new members include Josip Brnjic from Croatia, who serves as an assistant parish priest in Mang'ola Chini. Also, joining the group is Andrew Novan from India, currently a PME student in Monduli Chini, Emmanuel Madinda, pursuing further studies and serving as an assistant parish priest in Mbokomu, Erasto Lwila, a PME student in Ngorongoro, Robert Zadunia, another PME student in Endulen and Nolasco Mushi, who is recuperating from an earlier operation in India at Bishop Durning Home in Usa River.

The meeting reaffirmed that zonal meetings occur four times a year, and a decision was reached to rotate the location of these meetings, ensuring coverage of every community within the zone. It was also noted that some members fail to attend these meetings without offering a valid reason or at least an apology. The Provincial Superior, a member of the zone, emphasized that zonal meetings are a tool of animation, essential for effective communication and collaboration, and the attendance is mandatory.

OTHER MATTERS DISCUSSED DURING THE MEETING ARE:

HEALTH INSURANCE: Members were strongly encouraged to contribute to their health insurance premiums by the end of October, 2023.

CONTROL MANUALS: They will soon be launched and distributed both in hard and e-copies. Compliance with these manuals is in accordance with the Decisions of the 3rd Provincial Chapter of the Province of Tanzania (No. 1.3, 4, 4.13) and the Directives of Bagamoyo 2021 (No. 171).

STRATEGIC PLAN: The Province is in the process of developing a strategic plan. All members will be invited to participate in its creation. The control manuals are necessary tools which feed into a strategic and play a significant role in shaping it. Alignment with the provincial strategic plan will be a prerequisite of future development projects in the Province.

PROJECTS WRITING: The zone plans to organize a workshop on project writing and management. The workshop will address other critical aspects of project implementation. Interested members from other zones will be welcomed to participate.

SPECIAL ZONAL FUND: It was decided that members of the zone will contribute Tshs 10,000/= each per month to a special zonal fund. Zonal leadership will communicate a user friendly mechanism by which these contribution are to be made.

PHOTO NEWS



Welcoming of Fr Josip by his parish Priest, Fr Matthias Ngoja, Mang'ola Chini



Eucharist celebration: Northern zone meeting at Usa river on 19 October, 2023

APPOINTMENT AND TRANSFER

The Provincial Superior, with the consent of his Council appointed:

- Fr Josip Brnjic, St. Jude Thaddeus Parish, Mgo'ola Chini, with effect from 15 October, 2023.

We wish him all the best in his new ministry.

PME



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We are happy to welcome two Brothers from Vietnam for PME in our Province. L-R: Vincent Truong, Antony Bien Van (on PME at Salasala) and Van Thanh Binh Nguyen. They will begin by brushing up their English at Kerege after which they will begin Kiswahili language course at MARUCO in Bagamoyo. We wish them good adaptation.



SOON TO BE PUBLISHED

New BOOK

Excellent!! I really enjoyed reading your book. My intention was to read only the pages you asked me to read. I found it so interesting that I read it all. Thank you. It is a real contribution.

A special thanks for your kind words for the District of Kilimanjaro and me. Pierre Haas told me, with a big smile on his face, that the very last decision he made as superior general was to suppress the District of Kilimanjaro and that all in the Congregation will follow. All the best.

Fr. Joe Herzstein, CSSp.

Phillip Ng'oja, CCSP



GOLDEN JUBILEE OF TANZANIA PROVINCE

*From Initial Evangelization, Districts,
East Africa Foundation, East Africa
Province to Province of Tanzania*

Phillip NG'OJA, CSSp

Fr Philip Ng'oja is finalizing the publication of his book, *GOLDEN JUBILEE OF TANZANIA PAROVINCE*. Philip's book is a timely initiative and a gift for the 50th Jubilee of our Province. It is a handbook which fills many historical gaps. The topics are well chosen to capture significant moments of the Spiritan mission and presence in Tanzania. The language is simple and straight forward. It is ended a compelling read for all those who wish to be conversant with the Spiritan history in Tanzania.

BEREAVEMENT

Fr Gilbert Tairo, (Brother) Fr Chrispin Jumanne, 1 October, 2023
 Fr Florentine Mallya, (Mother) Mama Maria Joseph Sambeke Mallya, 31 October, 2023

NECROLOGY

Joseph KILASARA 21 November, 1987

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

BIRTHDAYS

DECEMBER		
Alphonse	KIMATHY	01
Liberatus	KUNDY	08
Joseph	LEKUNDAYO	08
Gilbert	TAIRO	15
Emmanuel S.	CHUWA	18
Batholomew	KWIYGA	22
Dismas John	MASSAWE	27
Kastory	KISUDA	28
Gabriel	KITIRA	28
Noel	SALEKWA	29

PRAYERS

We thank God and continue to pray for the speedy recovery of Frs Nolasco, Nicetas, Dan and Evod who are convalescing well.

Fraternally,



Florentine Mallya, CSSp.
 Provincial Superior

