

RENAME: Spirituality and Measured Results

Basic Premise:

RENAME is underpinned in every event, meeting, on or offline, in prayer and theological reflection. This underpins everything RENAME is engaged in as a means of discernment and wisdom as gift.

RENAME Charism:

The ministry of Spirituality is seen by RENAME as one of the key cornerstones which makes it different. RENAME is a Foundation against HT which is underpinned by a spirituality which impacts everything we are engaged in and creates an ethos and charism of compassion and care within and around the Foundation. This spirituality is based on sound theological thinking. This theology is informed by the social teaching of the Church. All stakeholders in the mission against Human Trafficking, including partners, collaborators, members, survivors, victims, in fact all people who wish to join us in this mission, are resourced with the means to develop and be supported in the growth of a spiritual life which gives energy and strength for the mission.

The Means:

RENAME House of Prayer and Liturgy Task Group

Website: House of Prayer:

1. General Public and engagement of RENAME Task group for House of Prayer
2. Google analytics and numbers engaged in House of Prayer
3. Developing interest and site developing all the time.
3. Known numbers accessing prayer button = 78,594

Integration of Prayer and Theology:

1. All RENAME events, meetings, trainings, gatherings of any kind are inter woven with liturgy and prayer – as a Catholic Foundation RENAME always has in mind the inter-faith reality of the membership and the inclusivity of the Gospel message.
2. During the life of RENAME two trainings have supported this development:
Training in the Social Teaching of the Church in the light of the Mission Against HT (30 members).
Training in Transformation (35 members)
3. Inputs at RENAME Assembly on Theology and the Human Trafficking Mission and a slot each day in the Assembly week for Theological reflection, led by an expert in the

field, as an aid to discerning throughout the week, the next five year mandate of RENATE.

Retreats for the Membership:

Each year, for the last three years, RENATE has offered one or two retreats for 10 – 20 members to enable them to tap into their spirituality and to discern the manner in which the mission against Human Trafficking has impacted their spirituality in daily life.

The feedback from these retreats has been very moving and has shown that there has been a wider impact on the individual members than was expected. The retreats have taken them to a depth of understanding of the action of God in their lives through this mission and has been a very healing process. Another unexpected impact of these retreats is a deepening of the bonding and understanding amongst the membership. The retreats included significant times of silence and equally significant times for deep sharing. The retreats to date have been directed by a Maltese Jesuit. This year it is proposed that the retreat(s) will be country based due to Covid 19.

(This document has been written to aid the dialogue at the Meeting online, dated, Thursday, 28th May at 16.00, with Wouter Rijnveld from AVANCE.

At his request an item on the agenda is:

“Discussion about Spirituality and Measured Results”. I hope this document will prove to be helpful to the upcoming dialogue.)

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