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Upcoming Events

March 25:
Our Journey To Emmaus
A Lenten Bible Retreat
St. Joseph Shrine
Stirling, NJ
9 AM – 3 PM

April 29-30:
Life in the Spirit Seminar
Our Lady of Lourdes Church
Queens Village, NY

May 5-7:
Marriage Encounter
Weekend #36
Seminary of the
Immaculate Conception
Huntington NY

President's Corner



*You are the salt of the earth...
...You are the light of the world*

Greetings to all with the love and peace of Jesus Christ!

As we begin this new year and this e-newsletter series, we reflect on the Gospel of Matthew chapter 5, a timely and fitting message from the Lord to us, members of the KFI-M.E. Ministry, Inc.

In Matthew 5, Jesus tells His disciples, "You are the salt of the earth." As disciples of Christ in 2017, how are we the salt of the earth? What does salt mean to us? We all know how salt makes food taste better. That is why doctors can't place their patients with hypertension or heart disease on a no-salt diet. Their food must have at least some salt, albeit in small amounts, for their patients to comply. Food just does not taste as good without salt. Not only does salt make food tastier, it is also an important nutrient of the body. We will die without salt. When used in the right amount, salt defines the flavor and aroma of food. It transforms bland dishes into something delicious and wonderful. But salt only tastes good when mixed with food. By itself, salt would be useless and would taste terrible. We need to go out to the world and make it better by our savory, salty presence. To be the salt of the earth, we need to be out there, walking with people of different faith and cultures in order to share the "salt" or flavor of Christ's teachings. If we keep Christ to ourselves, our own family, or our small community, the "salt" loses its usefulness to give flavor and the world around us will die spiritually due to the lack of an essential nutrient, God's presence, in their lives.

Jesus also said, "You are the light of the world." Why are we, Christians, placed in the world? We are here to benefit the world. But we benefit it only when we live as light. We cannot benefit the world when we are like the world. When an unbeliever comes in contact with us, he ought to see in us the reflection of the character of God – goodness, righteousness, truth, and love. But all the work that we do is only meaningful if we do them for love of God and neighbor. Love is a necessary ingredient in all that we accomplish.

Jesus calls his disciples to be the "salt of the earth" and the "light of the world", but to be such, Christ must first be our salt and light. We must first encounter Christ and allow Him to remain in us. Then we can become the salt that attracts others to Christ and the light that makes clear to others the way to Christ.

- Bro. Lito & Sis. Cecile Cervantes, President, KFI-M.E. Ministry, Inc.



"You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned? It is no longer good for anything but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket; it is set on a lampstand, where it gives light to all in the house. Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father."

-Matthew 5: 13-16



Marriage Encounter Ministry

Greetings to our beloved brothers and sisters in the KFI-M.E. Ministry, Inc. community – in the M.E. Ministry, the L.S.S. Ministry, the Youth Ministry, and the J.E.G. Ministry.

May the joy, peace, and love of our Lord Jesus Christ rest upon you and your families in this new year, 2017!

This new year offers us, in the Marriage Encounter Ministry, another year of opportunities to lead and guide married couples who desire to strengthen and rekindle their love for their spouse and for God through marriage encounter weekend seminars.

The next M.E. Weekend will be held on May 05, 06, & 07, 2017 at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, NY.

Registration forms for this M.E. Weekend are being distributed and e-mailed, so you may provide it to your friends, families, and communities for couples, married in the Catholic Church, who may be interested, or encouraged, to join us in this upcoming M.E. Weekend.

Encountered couples are also enjoined to serve as auxiliary couples in this upcoming M.E. Weekend. Let us continue sharing our time, treasure, and talents to the candidate couples and be the 'salt of the earth', lending 'flavors and seasonings' in this ministry.

May God keep you and your family safe, healthy, and holy always.

God's humble servants,

KFI-M.E. Board VIII



Youth Ministry (Luke & Antioch)

To our dearest brothers and sisters of the KFI community,

From the Youth Ministry, our warmest greetings of love, peace and joy!!!

This KFI Youth Ministry is headed and managed by the Youth Board I which is comprised of seven couples who have attended a marriage encounter weekend and three single young adults who have attended one or both of our youth weekend seminars, Luke 18 Weekend for ages 11-15 and Antioch Weekend for ages 16-21. Its mission is to direct and inspire the youth to embrace a personal relationship with Jesus, equipping and challenging them to share their faith by reaching out to other youth and bringing them closer to God. We hope to accomplish that mission by allowing the Holy Spirit to work through us during the weekend summer retreats such as the Luke 18 Weekend and the Antioch Weekend.

With God's grace, we hope that the positive difference in the lives of these youth will empower us to sustain our evangelization efforts in the future and beyond.

- Bro. Caloy & Sis. Len Javier, Head Servants, Youth Ministry
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Life in the Spirit Seminar (LSS) Ministry

The LSS ministry is a group of people who are seeking God together and who are ready and available to evangelize anyone who has the desire to start, renew or deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ.

This is achieved through the Life in the Spirit Seminar (LSS), Bible Studies, and retreats.

We can only hope that we will help to inspire and encourage others to become more attentive to God's word, to hear and know his voice.

The Spirit is speaking. Can you hear him?

- Bro. James & Sis. Maguy Sadhoo, Head Servants, LSS Ministry



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To the KFI community, our warmest greetings of a Happy New Year!

We hope that you already heard of the Joshua Evangelization Group. This is a group of dedicated and committed individuals and couples who are members of the KFI community that have bonded together for the last 15 years to be able to spearhead a fund-raising campaign to realize the dream of many in our community to have our own building to use in our evangelization efforts.

From the words of inspiration and wisdom of our late Bro. Conrad, he said that "this Joshua Evangelization Group (JEG), together with a dedicated "volunteer group" and the KFI-M.E. Ministry, Inc., will all be part of the tri-component KFI family. This will complement the evangelization mission of KFI-M.E. Ministry, Inc. and it should not compete but support one another..." Truly, our group has embraced and believed in this plan.

Having said this, the members of this group humbly extend their invitation to you to join us in this noble endeavor of this non-profit organization, also simply known as the "JEG" group. Our participation in this group has given us a very rewarding experience of sharing our God-given resources and becoming the best stewards of such towards a common Christian objective.

I invite all of you to reflect on this quote from Mother Teresa: "It's not how much we give but how much love we put into giving."

May the love and peace of Christ be with you and your loved ones!

- Bro. Caloy Javier, President, JEG, Inc.

***JEG working for the love of GOD, saving one soul at a time.
No limits...No boundaries....***



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