Dear Friends,

A course on SCCs Theology for our pastoral ministers in Thailand and Fareast Asia was jointly conducted in Thailand for the first time during November 2011 by CBCT and Pallottine Animation Centre, Nagpur, India. It was very much appreciated by the participants and all involved. We thought of having similar course again for a second time, Fr. Thomas Vijay and his team, who has been successfully organized this course at Nagpur, India for the last 7 years, kindly agrees to hold it again this year during November 2 to December 2, 2012 at The Pastoral Training Center of Bangkok Archdiocese, Sampran, Thailand.

This certificate course is meant particularly for priests and religious who have adequate theological foundation and who are interested in promoting SCCs / BECs. It is held in English and working knowledge of English is a requirement. It is residential program and full-time attendance is mandatory. Number of participants is limited to 35 only. Course fees amount to US$ 1,150 or 35,000 THB; and there is no scholarship available from the local organizer. More details are given in the enclosed Information flier, with an application form attached.

Please kindly disseminate this information to your respective persons in charge of pastoral centers tasked to build Participatory Church and SCCs / BECs. Preferably send a team of at least 2 persons who are responsible for implementation of the pastoral plan.

Application should be duly filled and reach the program coordinator at CBCT Secretariat, Bangkok, Thailand by July 31, 2011. Each participant should fill in a separate application form, together with a recommendation letter from the Bishop / Superior.

Greetings of love and peace in the Lord.

Yours in Christ,

(Archbishop Louis Chammien Santisukniran)
President
Catholic Bishops’ Conference of Thailand

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30 DAYS SEMINAR
for Thailand and Fareast Asia on
RENEWING CHURCH IN THE NEW WAY THROUGH
SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES (SCCs)
An Opportunity For A Theological, Pastoral, Spiritual Study Of SCCs And Its Integrative Power
to Transform Parishes into Active Community
November 2nd to December 2nd 2012
At The Pastoral Training Center of Bangkok Archdiocese, Sampran, Thailand
Program coordinated by CBCT and Pallottine Animation Centre, Nagpur, India

What the seminar is about:

1. Basic Understanding of What the Asian bishops meant when they called for Renewing the Church in Asia in a New Way.
2. Theological Insight into What SCCs are.
3. Church Teachings on SCCs
4. Method in formation of SCCs
5. New Way of Being Church and Theological Issues
   - Ecclesiology
   - Missiology
   - Sacramental Theology
   - Word-centred community
   - Pastoral Theology
   - Church Leadership and Animation of Communities.
   - New Way in Renewed Structure
6. Insight into process of Integration:
   - of Theory and Praxis,
   - spirituality and theology,
   - pastoral vision and real life,
   - clergy leadership and lay leadership,
   - community and individual
7. Exposure to and involvement in SCCs
8. Critical Reflection and Integration on the learning which happens during the course.

NB. 1. It is a residential programme and **full-time attendance is mandatory**.
2. The course will be animated by Fr. Thomas Vijay and his team from India.
3. It is a certificate course, requiring a short integrative paper to be written. Participants’ competency in English usage is required.
4. The course is the only such programme available in Asia. Pallottine Animation Centre (PAC), Nagpur, has been running this course successfully in India for the last seven years. And it is a second time that such course to be conducted in Thailand. All those who have attended this course until now found it very useful and effective in their pastoral ministry.
5. Seats limited to 35 participants.
6. Course fees: US$ 1,150 / ฿35,000 only. Scholarship is not available from the local organizer.

**Resource Persons:**

- **Fr. Thomas Vijay SAC** is the Secretary to the National Service Team for SCCs under the Catholic Bishops Conference of India and the designer and coordinator of this course. He is a member of the ART (AsIPA Resource Team) and has been in this field of SCC formation and animation for the last 24 years and has travelled to many countries to promote SCCs. Student of Doctorate in Ministry, Catholic University of America.

- **Most Rev. Sebastianappan Singaroyan, bishop of Salem, South India.** He monitors personally SCCs building in his diocese. Chairman of Proclamation Commission CCBI (Latin Bishops’ Conference of India), Doctorate in Theology from Pontifical Lateran University, Rome.

- **Most Rev. Ignatius Mascarenhas, bishop of Simla-Chandigarh, India.** Bp Ignatius is a bishop member of NST (National Service Team) for SCCs under the Catholic Bishops’ Conference of India and has been earlier a full-time SCC Coordinator for Delhi archdiocese and national SCC Resource person for a long time.

- **Mr. Joseph D’Souza** is a full time animator in PAC Nagpur. Holds B.Th from St. Charles seminary affiliated to Angelicum Rome and MA in English (Literature). He has over 10 years experience in SCC formation serving on the National Team for SCCs.

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APPLICATION FORM

Name (as in passport): __________________________________________
ชื่อภาษาไทย: __________________________________________

Passport No. ____________________________ (for non Thai nationality)

Designation: __________________________________________

Diocese: ____________________________ Country: ____________________________

Contact address: __________________________________________

Tel: ________________________ Fax: ________________________ Email: ________________________

(tick √ where appropriate)
Are you planning to arrive before November 2nd or stay on after December 2nd 2012?

□ Yes □ No (if Yes, please give details clearly)

I will need a letter of sponsorship for my visa application? (Contact address as above)

□ Yes □ No

Please enclose a recommendation letter from your Bishop / Superior with your application.

NB. Kindly send this application to the CBCT Secretariat by July 31, 2011.

Send to CBCT Local Program coordinator:
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