

Bukas Loob sa Diyos Covenant Community
DCS Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 23, 2016

Week#4 (Easter Sunday), March 27, 2016

Theme: We live a life of holiness when we believe in the power of Christ's resurrection.

Promise: *"When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory."*
(Col 3:4)

Order: "Think of what is above, not of what is on earth." (Col 3:2)

Directions:

- Preach and testify that Jesus is alive.
- Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, and His mercy endures forever.
- Immerse yourself in God's Word.

AGENDA

1. Community Teaching

Eucharist: Source of Mercy on April 2 at 1pm. Teaching Ministry requests a core couple to make an announcement regarding the community teaching. FYI - Covenanting pins are en route from Manila. ACTION: Approved. Formation Stewards to inform TM. Also, instruct ministry to give the names of the couple to Liturgy/DCS-in-Charge for the April 1 Mass.

2. The Covenanting Ceremony of ME39/ME40/Singles members can be scheduled for April 1 Eucharistic Celebration. ECSL Community Bulletin – CSL No. 03-2016-022A, approving the covenanting of 27 disciples of BLD Newark was received on March 22. The disciples to be covenanted are: Allan Almazar, Jen Almazar, Denny Dizon, Marichelle Dizon, Angel Doria, Nilda Doria, Darwin Sorio, Ellen Sorio, Ed Ugaddan, Tess Ugaddan, Romy Merluza, Ella Merluza, Jun Galvez, Tess Galvez, Willy Lagrada, Carol Lagrada, Dodge Lizardo, Marichelle Lizardo, Archie Quevada, Lelet Quevada, Jun Songco, Juliet Songco, Hermie Tindoy, Mila Tindoy, Michael Weiner, Carmen Weiner and Patrick McGrail. Disciples who will not be available for covenanting on April 1 will be scheduled for covenanting on another date. Formation Steward to inform the Teaching Ministry.

3. Resolution No. 16-0321-022A- Series of 2016 - confirms the appointment of the Ministry Coordinators of the District Leaders Conference of BLD Newark for the term March 20, 2016 to June 30, 2018 under the Formation Apostolate: Witness & Coach

Development Ministry Coordinators - Bong & Blandie Montemayor. The new WCDM Coordinators can be scheduled for anointing into office after the April 1 Eucharistic Celebration.

4. Resolution No. 16-0328-025A-Series of 2016

As appointed by the District Council of Stewards of BLD Newark and endorsed by its District Servant Leaders (letter dated March 25, 2016), the Executive Council of Servant Leaders is of one heart and on mind in confirming the appointment Joven and Lisa Soriano as DIP Shepherds for BLD Allentown and as members of the District Leaders Conference of BLD Newark for the term March 28, 2016 to June 30, 2018. Anointing is scheduled for April 1.

5. **Audit update & various requests from Treasury Ministry**

The ministry reported on the outcome of the Audit:

- all accounts payable & deposit samples were all provided with no issues
- bank reconciliations to bank statements & book balances had no issues
- balance sheet account reconciliations were all provided with no issues
- cash advances, prepayments & trust accounts were all accounted for with no issues
- property & fixtures were all recorded appropriately

The following items were requested by our auditor:

1. Org Chart with members - request was already made to Secretariat.
2. A recommendation was made to close the Morgan Stanley account (Balance as of 12/31/15 - \$740), Action: Close the account and transfer the balance to the checking account.
3. List of personnel with access to Quickbooks & Wells Fargo - Treasury to provide the information.

The audit result is expected to be ready by mid-April, 2016.

6. **Charleston, SC-LSS, April 16-17, 2016**

Some members of BLD based in Charleston SC, including BLD-Charlotte and Myrtle Beach Prayer Group members will be sponsoring a parish-based LSS at the St. Philip Neri Church in Fort Mill, SC on April 16-17. The Spiritual Director is Msgr. Paul Schetelick. They are requesting prayers and support. ACTION: Acknowledge request and assure them of our support. Disseminate information to community if they will indicate need for shepherds and auxies to assist.

7. **FE#22 Fundraising**

FLA requested the following dates for their FE #22 fundraising sale:

- a. 15 April 2016 - approve
- b. 29 April 2016 - approve
- c. 13 May 2016
- d. 27 May 2016

ACTION: FLA Mini-fundraising is approved for the 2 Fridays indicated above. Once the Management Services coordinators are in position, all requests can be submitted

to them. PS to transfer instruction email of former Management DCS to google docs for finalization by the DCS.

8. **SPE#18 Planning**

Details of encounter plans for confirmation and blessing:

1. Venue: Days Hotel, 195 Route 18 South, East Brunswick, NJ 08816
2. Dates: June 24, 5PM - June 26, 4PM, 2016
3. The Registration cost will be \$150/person
4. Spiritual Director is Msgr. Paul Schetelick
5. Sharer list for approval.

ACTION: PS to confirm with SP Ministry Coordinator.

9. **BLD- LA FE#1 request for assistance**

BLD-L.A. will be sponsoring their first Family Encounter weekend on July 8-10. In addition to their request for sharers which Newark was able to arrange, the BLD-L.A. Evangelization Stewards (Allan and Violy de Banate) would like come to Newark for orientation and training. Due to other matters happening in their community, the best timing for them would be the weekend of April 16. Their first FE team meeting is on April 30. ACTION: Evangelization Stewards to determine availability of FLA coordinator to provide orientation and training on the weekend of April 16.

10. **LSS Sharers**

ACTION: Inform new sharers of read thru on April 1.

Attendance:

Evangelization - San Luis, Manny and Judy

Formation - Lucero, Jovy and Emily

Management - Canlas, Gerry and Stella

Mission - Bustos, Nong and Tricia

Pastoral - Olaso, Sam and Rory