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PROCEDURE

1) Everyone will pray the opening prayer and sing the hymn: 'Go tell everyone'.

2) The scripture texts should be read at least twice.

3) The reflection is read and after some silence, those gathered will share on the scripture text and the reflection.

4) Someone should record the discussion in general terms and then email it to the members who are absent.

5) The session ends with a prayer being prayed by everyone in the group.

6) The time and place for the next meeting should be announced.

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OPENING PRAYER

Loving Father,

you have called us to be your labourers in the vineyard where the harvest is plentiful;

to trust in you and not worry about the wages or the time that we spend in the vineyard.

Thank you for calling us to be part of your plan of salvation for ourselves and for others.

We are truly blessed to be guided by the Holy Spirit in our community to do this word.

We can only walk this journey and carry out our mission through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Peace

be

with

you

WELCOME

Let us wish one another the peace of the Lord.

We spend a few moments asking everyone to express what they felt about the work of reaching out to someone since the last meeting.

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READINGS

We read Acts 14: 16-28.

In this passage we see how despite the challenges, the trials and rejections the community grew as the gave support to one another.

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THOUGHTS

Two catechumens walked down Orchard Road on a Saturday morning. They began by being anxious and fearful about what they were going to do.

As they passed the people on the walkway, they began to assess those passing by. 'This one - cannot. Too fear looking.' 'This one looks occupied'. Eventually they thought to themselves, 'Everyone cannot, then how?' They took the step to approach anyone and everyone regardless of what they outcome was going to be. They approached everyone. That morning, many people heard, 'Have a good day. Jesus loves you.' After some time they became used to saying these words and even went into the shops and told the retailers there that Jesus loved them. One person was surprised because she was a Catholic and said. 'You mean Catholics also do such things?'

Are we not called to tell others about Jesus? Is it reserved for some group of people?

When Jesus said, 'Go out to the whole world, proclaim the Good News', did he mean it only for a kind of people?

Tell others

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REFLECTIONS

As you had reflected on what fear kept you from speaking to others about Jesus Christ did you think of some ways to overcome this fear?

What will it take for you to tell others about Jesus Christ and his great love for all mankind?

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TAKE HOME

It only takes the first step before 1000 steps are covered.

The Lord

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DOING YOUR BIT

Discuss if you are going to carry out the mission outreach on a regular basis.

Decide as a group what 'regular' would mean for your group.

Approach that one lapsed Catholic you had identified and continue talking about the need to be part of a community of Jesus Christ.

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CLOSING PRAYER

Loving Father,

we have come to end of our reflections as a community.

Inspire us to further walk as a community that gives you glory and honour by our fellowship with one another and our works in spreading the Good News that Jesus your Son brought to us.

Thank you for being patient with us as we turn towards you and slowly being willing to do your will.

We make this prayer through Jesus our Lord.

Amen.

