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Colombia: The Novitiate Goes Online (16/07/2010)

The FSP novices of Bogota have set up a blog to help everyone participate in their formation journey. They say that in these days their Province is joyfully celebrating the international aspect of the Congregation through the presence of our General Government, which is currently making the Fraternal Visit to this circumscription.

The address of the new blog is: www.noviciadopaulinasco.blogspot.com

The novices tell us they look forward to receiving suggestions and comments from visitors to their web site because this input can help them dialogue with the world and pool experiences of the Pauline life, especially with regard to the journey of conformity to Christ. On our part, very best wishes to our enterprising young members!



Brazil: A Thousand Reasons To Celebrate (20/07/2010)

The Daughters of St. Paul of Brazil are celebrating the airing of the 1000th episode of their TV series “Espaço Vida,” which was launched on 8 Sept. 2006. The program has reached this landmark thanks to the talent of the script-writing team and the fidelity of the public to the series. Espaço Vida focuses on subjects of great interest to everyone, such as health, the spiritual life, culture, hobbies, etc. The program is aired by Aparecida TV Monday through Friday in two different time slots: a fresh episode in the morning, which is then rerun in the afternoon. All the FSPs of Brazil thank the Lord for the success of this apostolic service to the public, and they also thank the Congregation for the support, resources and prayers it has poured into the project.

Anyone who would like to watch the millennial episode of the program can click onto: www.paulines.org.br or: http://www.paulinas.org.br/paulinas_tv/especiais/video.aspx?video=ev20100707a



Italy: Juniors Moving Together Toward Apostolic Holiness (22/07/2010)

In mid-July, the Junior Professed FSPs of Europe (two from the Czech Republic, two from Romania, two from Italy, one from Poland and one from Portugal) gathered at the Generalate in Rome to reflect on the Pauline life under the guidance of Sr. Annunciata Bestetti from the Italian Province and Sr. Rosanna Pennasilico from the Prague community. Guest speakers for the occasion were Sr. Maria Grazia Gabelli, fsp, who showed our young sisters how to examine some of the writings of our founders more closely so as to rediscover the treasures of our Pauline spirituality; Fr. Giacomo Perego, ssp, who helped them explore the mystical dimension of the Pauline charism from the biblical perspective, and Fr. Guido Gandolof, ssp, who guided a day of retreat dedicated to meditation on the “verbs” that characterize this mysticism. After the retreat, Sr. Teresa Braccio, fsp, spoke about “proclaiming God through the cinema.” She showed several film clips on the subject

created specifically for online viewing via Youtube, then proceeded to trace out what has already been done to proclaim the Word through the cinema, what movies with religious messages are currently available and what the FSPs can do in the future to make a significant contribution to communicating God through words, music and pictures. The last day of the encounter was dedicated to a sharing of experiences regarding the “announcement of God” through the digital media.

In summing up the week, our young sisters said: “The encounter overflowed with input and also with joy, as we wholeheartedly participated in the events programmed. We shared our dreams concerning all the initiatives we would like to undertake. By coming to a deeper grasp of the mystical dimension of the Pauline life and by contemplating the situation in Europe today—in which many of the continent’s nations are striving to collaborate with one another more effectively—we were filled with a deep yearning to make our contribution to this journey. The fact that our meeting was held here at the Generalate made us feel closer to the entire human family and helped us realize anew that the Pauline charism has a lot to say to people today.”



Portugal: Third Catechetical Meeting of the Funchal Diocese (26/07/2010)

1,300 people participated in the third Formation Meeting for Catechetical Directors of the Funchal diocese. The theme of the meeting was: “Together with Christ, You Are Light.” The encounter opened with a prayer session guided by Bishop Antonio Carrilho of Funchal. The Daughters of St. Paul participated in the event with a book and audiovisual display, which gave the participants the chance to acquire material useful for their catechetical activities and personal reflection. The event was a time of celebration for the entire diocese, especially its catechists, whom the Bishop encouraged to zealously continue their service to the Church.



Czech Republic: The Night the Churches Opened Their Doors (29/07/2010)

This event, held for the first time in Austria in 2005, was repeated this year in all the Catholic dioceses of the Czech Republic. The lights of 420 churches shone in the dark up until midnight, inviting everyone to participate in a variety of activities specially prepared for the occasion. The visitors, many of them non-believers who ordinarily would never have entered a church, stopped in to take guided tours, listen to music, visit displays and spend a little time in silence and prayer. The FSP book center in Prague, which is next door to a church that was visited by about 2200 people, remained open up until 11:30 p.m., offering visitors a special discount on books, especially the Gospel. Our sisters say it was wonderful to see how people flocked to the center. No one left empty-handed because everyone received a leaflet bearing a Bible verse. So as not to lose touch with the many newcomers to the book center, our sisters subsequently organized a series of poetry-reading sessions featuring the works of Czech Catholic authors who during the Communist regime were tortured or who had spent many years in prison camps.



Philippines: Media Literacy and Church Ministry Seminar (05/08/2010)

The Daughters of St. Paul of Zamboanga, in collaboration with Zamboanga Women Religious Association (ZAWRA), recently organized a one-day seminar-workshop on “Media Literacy and Church Ministry” held in the Pilar College Audio Visual Room. Sr. Consolata Manding, fsp, gave lectures and facilitated the sessions on film analysis, television programs, advertisements and newspapers. Seventy-one people participated in the event: representatives from all the Congregations of women religious in the archdiocese, as well as teachers, catechists, youth leaders, lay leaders, professionals, and others. The participants were very satisfied with the input they received and say they look forward to another lecture-workshop of this type in the future.



Italy: Theme of World Peace Day 2011 (10/08/2010)

In the light of the various forms of discrimination and denial of religious freedom that continue to be practiced in Pakistan, Indonesia, Uganda and other parts of the world, Pope Benedict XVI has chosen as the theme for the next World Peace Day: "Religious Freedom: The Path to Peace." In making this announcement, the Vatican news bulletin of 13 July 2010 underscores that "everything that is opposed to the dignity of the human being is also opposed to the search for truth and cannot be considered to be religious freedom." The Pope's Message for the day will be published on 1 January 2011.



Chile: From Ruin to Restoration: A New FSP Book Center in Concepcion (16/08/2010)

The FSP book center of Concepcion has finally re-opened its doors to the public after suffering severe damage in the disastrous earthquake of 27 February 2010. It took three months of hard labor to remove the rubble, replace the floor and repair the furnishings so that the center could once again carry out its mission, which, our Founder said, is to serve as "a pulpit from which to proclaim the Good News of Jesus". The inauguration of the renovated center opened with a Eucharistic Celebration presided over by the Archbishop of the diocese, Ricardo Ezzati, who then proceeded to bless the new locale. On hand to celebrate this joyous moment with the community were representatives of the whole Pauline Family, as well as friends and clients, many of whom offered our sisters both moral and economic support during the difficult rebuilding period. We thank the our sisters of Concepcion for their courage, faith and hard work during these past months and offer them and all the members of our Chilean Delegation our very best wishes as they begin this new stage of their journey.



Brazil: Theology and Religious Sciences Congress (22/08/2010)

The city of Belo Horizonte, Brazil recently hosted the 25th Congress of the Society for Theology and Religious Sciences (SOTER). About 300 theologians from all over Latin America participated in the event, which centered on the theme, Religions and World Peace. The ecumenical thrust of the encounter was reinforced by the presence of members of different religions, as well as by the content of the conferences, the subsequent discussions and the use of today's new technologies, which allowed the participants to keep in touch with world situations. The Daughters of St. Paul contributed to the Congress in various ways: as one of the sponsors of the event, through a book and audiovisual display, and through co-editions with SOTER aimed at promoting the thought of young theologians. The SOTER Council praised our sisters' noteworthy contribution over the past 25 years to this annual Congress by awarding them a special certificate of recognition—a public expression of gratitude for our Institute's contribution to theological reflection in Latin America.



Philippines: Thirty New Pauline Cooperators (28/08/2010)

The Daughters of St. Paul of Zamboanga City have joyfully welcomed thirty new Pauline Cooperators into the Pauline Family. The group prepared for this milestone by means of a four-day retreat, during which they reflected on their specific call in the Church. The new Cooperators made their Promises during a solemn Eucharistic Celebration presided over by Fr. Marciano, the pastor of St. Ignatius Church, in which the Liturgy took place.



Italy: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2011 (04/09/2010)

“This year, the call for unity among the Christian Churches rises from Jerusalem, the Mother Church”—thus announced the commission set up to prepare the animation brochure for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2011. Aware of their divisions and of the need to do much more to foster the unity of the Body of Christ, the Churches of

Jerusalem are asking all Christians to rediscover the values that unified the first Christian community of Jerusalem, namely: an assiduous following of the teachings of the Apostles, fraternal communion, the breaking of the bread, and prayer (Acts 2:42). To strengthen communion among Christians living in the Middle East today is a powerful stimulus for renewed commitment to working for genuine ecumenism grounded in the experience of the early Church.



Romania: Together for the Gospel (06/09/2010)

I do everything for the sake of the Gospel! This was the slogan of a Bible Mission recently held in the beautiful city of Piatra Neamt in northeastern Romania. The Mission was a joint initiative on the part of the FSPs of Bucharest, the SSP community of Vicenza, Italy, young people from different parts of Romania and Italy, and the pastor of St. Therese of Lisieux Parish in Piatra Neamt. The objective of the Mission was to give everyone—children, teens and adults—the chance to meet Jesus through the Apostle Paul, the tireless herald of the Gospel. The opening Eucharistic Celebration featured a procession of young people carrying an icon of the Apostle and at the end of the Liturgy every family received a copy of the Letters of St. Paul in Romanian. The Mission was characterized by light and joy, prayer and deeper reflection on the Bible, study sessions and fraternal gatherings, adventure and work, ecumenical dialogue and an exchange of ideas, vocational witness and commitment. Launched during the Pauline Year, this “initiative without borders” has continued because its young collaborators, accompanied by the FSPs and Fr. Domenico Soliman, ssp, meet throughout the year on both “digital highways” and city streets to give the Apostle of the Gentiles a voice and to also learn from him how to live and proclaim the Gospel to people today.



Poland: Inauguration of a New FSP Book Center in Warsaw (11/09/2010)

On 8 September, the Daughters of St. Paul in Poland celebrated the Feast of the Birth of Mary with the dedication of their new book center, located on a busy street in the heart of Warsaw. Our sisters hope this new “pulpit” in the nation’s capital will be a beacon of light for all people seeking the truth. Attending the inauguration were two members of the FSP General Government, Archbishop Kazimierz Nycz of Warsaw, members of the Pauline Family (SSP, Pious Disciples and Apostolines), the Ambassador of South Korea and representatives of the Korean community in Poland. After blessing the locale, the Archbishop invited all the participants to place the instruments of social communication at the service of evangelization by using the media to courageously and dynamically proclaim the Gospel to all people today.



Italy: Online Catechists! (13/09/2010)

Online Catechists! was the theme of the summer camp for young adults (up to age 30) organized by the Daughters of St. Paul this summer in Castellammare di Stabia, Naples. The program combined spiritual animations and reflections on the Word of God with communications workshops. Sr. Mariangela Tassielli explains, “As Daughters of St. Paul, one of our goals is to form young people and catechists. In view of this, we organized a summer camp for young catechists to relaunch the binomial ‘catechesis and communications,’ which is ex-

tremely relevant today. The purpose of the initiative was to help young catechists discover their specific identity and service in the Church and acquire the basic skills needed to pro-claim the Faith.”



Czech Republic.: Inflamm Your Spiritual Life (15/09/2010)

National meeting for those in charge of pastoral work with young people was recently held in Kromeriz, Czech Republic. About 400 people from all over the country, including the bishops of various dioceses, participated in the event, which explored the theme: Inflamm Your Spiritual Life. The theme was developed in different ways: through conferences, round table discussions, prayer sessions, the exchange of ideas, etc. Participants deeply appreciated the contributions of various religious congregations, in particular the “Religious Cafeteria” they set up to not only provide everyone with refreshments but to also give anyone interested the chance to speak with representative of the different Institutes. Attending the meeting on behalf of the Pauline Family were the Daughters of St. Paul of Prague and the Pious Disciples of Brno who, through their specific apostolates, offered everyone a highly-valued service.



Cote d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast): Carrying Out Vocation Work as a Community (17/09/2010)

The Daughters of St. Paul in Abidjan, Ivory Coast, have been holding an annual encounter for young women ever since 1995. This year their meeting took the form of a three-day “vocation experience” in the Abidjan community.

All five members of the community contributed to the event by inviting young women to participate in it and by animating it in various ways so as to ensure that the participants’ search for God would be an enthusiastic one. The young women were very interested in the themes presented and also enjoyed watching the film, “Thecla: A Life for the Gospel.” Abundant time was dedicated to answering their many questions, and a daily hour of adoration helped them learn to relish their time with the Lord.

The 3-day itinerary concluded with a festive celebration, during which the participants expressed their satisfaction with the experience and said they would like to continue to meet with the sisters periodically so as to continue the journey begun.



Philippines: Launch of a Catechetical DVD (19/09/2010)

Paulines Audiovisuals has released a new catechetical video entitled “The Six Friends: Preparing for First Confession and First Communion.”

The DVD comes with a guide to help parents, teachers and catechists accompany children in a meaningful way at these special moments in the Catholic Christian life.

After the video launch, which took place in the Cathedral Church of Our Lady of the Pillar, Imus, Cavite, certificates of appreciation were awarded to the cast, one of whom was Bishop Luis Tagle.

The Sisters of Jesus the Good Shepherd were also acknowledged for their collaboration and valuable contribution to the realization of this catechetical project.



Italy: Vatican To Host a World Congress on the Catholic Press in the Digital Age (21/09/2010)

After the World Congress on Catholic Television held in Madrid in 2006 and the one on the Radio held in Vatican City in 2008, the Pontifical Council for Social Communications announced that it will be holding a third Congress—this one on the Catholic Press—once again in Vatican City from 4-7 October 2010.

The Congress will focus on the present situation and future prospects of the Catholic press throughout the world, with particular attention to the Internet and the new media. According to Archbishop Claudio Celli, president of the Pontifical Council, "Today the whole world knows that the new technologies are opening broad and exciting paths, including for the Catholic press."



Brazil: 14th International Meeting on Education (21/09/2010)

The state of Osorio (Rio Grande do Sul), Brazil recently held its 14th International Meeting on Education, in which more than 1200 teachers participated.

The purpose of the encounter, which centered on the theme, *The Educator: To Be and To Belong*, was to help teachers improve the quality of their service in the region's

schools. The event was enriched by a book fair in which our sisters participated, taking advantage of the opportunity to make better known the products in their catalogue, especially those related to education. Two of their publications, *Religious Education* and *Education and Human Promotion* were presented by the authors themselves.



Kenya: Bakhita: From Slave to Saint (22/09/2010)

With the enthusiasm and future-oriented gaze characteristic of the African continent with its many young people, the Daughters of St. Paul who live and work in this part of the world recently completed an important apostolic project: a DVD on Bakhita, an African slave from South Sudan whose extremely painful life experiences led her to

first embrace the Christian Faith and then to enter the religious life, dedicating herself to God as a Canossian Sister. The DVD format of the made-for-TV film is the fruit of notable apostolic commitment on the part of the FSPs of Africa, who pooled their resources to dub it in the main languages of the continent: English, French and Portuguese. All our circumscriptions on this continent joyfully participated in this project because they are convinced that the film will be of great benefit to the people of Africa, especially those who cannot read and who are thus formed by the visual media.

The film can be used as an instrument for human-Christian formation, to promote women and the dignity of the human being, to underscore the importance of reconciliation, to foster intercultural dialogue, etc.



Italy: Town Square Dedicated to Sr. Maria Vincenti (21/09/2010)

On 19 September 2010, the little town of Santa Restituta (part of the municipality of Avigliano Umbro, Terni), held a ceremony dedicating one of its public squares to Sr. Maria Vincenti, FSP. Better known to the Daughters of St. Paul as "Maestra Vincenti," this big-hearted and broad-minded Pauline, a gifted writer and artist who was also

blessed with a wonderful sense of humor, was born in Santa Restituta on 28 April 1913. As a result of this civic honor, Maestra Vincenti's name is now not only inscribed in the hearts of all who knew her but is also memorialized on the historical tablet that pays tribute to her. Although shy and reserved as a girl, as a Daughter of St. Paul Maestra Vincenti blazed important trails in the Congregation's formation and apostolic sectors. Besides her relatives, the many people present for the dedication ceremony included the mayor of Avigliano Umbro, a group of Daughters of St. Paul from Rome, the pastor of Santa Restituta, and Roberto Lucio Fugazzotto, Maestra Vincenti's nephew and the author of a biography about her, published by Pauline Editions.



Italy: Theme for World Communications Day 2011: "Truth, Proclamation and Authenticity of Life in the Digital Age" (30/09/2010)

This theme, according to a Vatican communiqué, focuses on the human person who is at the heart of all communication processes. Even in an age that is largely dominated, and at times conditioned, by the new technologies, the value of personal witness remains essential. To approach the truth and to take on the task of sharing it requires the "guarantee" of authenticity of life from those who work in the media, and especially from Catholic journalists—an authenticity of life that is no less required in our digital age. On its own, technology cannot establish or enhance a communicator's credibility, nor can it serve as a source of the values which guide communication. The truth must remain the firm and unchanging point of reference of the new media and the digital world, opening up new horizons of information and knowledge. Ideally, it is the pursuit of truth which constitutes the fundamental objective of all those who work in the media. The full text of the message for the 45th World Communications Day will be released on 24 January 2011, the Feast of St. Francis De Sales, patron of journalists.

(Vatican Radio)



Taiwan: Meeting To Launch the New East Asia Delegation (30/09/2010)

1-4 October 2010. At the end of September, the FSPs from Hong Kong, Macau traveled to Taipei to participate with the members of our Taiwan Delegation in a meeting to launch the Congregation's new East Asia Delegation. The 36 sisters (including one postulant and one aspirant) who will form the new Delegation speak 9 different languages and come from 12 different countries. In fact, their faces mirror their ethnic backgrounds: the youthful faces of those from Korea, Taiwan and China; the signs of self-donation that mark the faces of our sisters from Japan and the Philippines; the dynamic expressions of those from Singapore; the serene and smiling faces of those from India, and the cordial, competent expressions of our "white-haired" sisters from Italy and Brazil.

What unites them is their missionary passion and their openness to immense China, where they hope to initiate the Pauline apostolate in the name of the entire Congregation when "God's hour" strikes. Let us accompany the group during these days of reflection, prayer, the sharing of ideas and decision-making—a time in which it is clearly evident that our boundaries are those of the entire world!

.: CALENDAR OF THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT .:



07-10 September	Warsaw	Sr Gabriella Santon Sr Francesca Matsuoka	Visit for a Specific Purpose
11-15 September	Macau	Sr M. Antonieta Bruscato Sr Anna Maria Parenzan	Fraternal Visit
16-18 September	Hong Kong	Sr M. Antonieta Bruscato Sr Anna Maria Parenzan	Fraternal Visit
12-16 September	Singapore	Sr Anna Caiazza	Fraternal Visit
19-30 September	Taiwan	Sr M. Antonieta Bruscato Sr Anna Maria Parenzan	Fraternal Visit
17-20 September	Papua N. G.	Sr Anna Caiazza	Fraternal Visit
01-04 October	Taiwan	Sr M. Antonieta Bruscato Sr Anna Maria Parenzan	Meeting with the communities of Taiwan, Hong Kong, Macau, Vietnam
24-28 September	Bucharest	Sr Gabriella Santon	Visit for a Specific Purpose
17-21 September	Madrid	Sr Francesca Matsuoka	Meeting with European vocationist directresses
21 Sept.-04 Oct.	Australia	Sr Anna Caiazza	Fraternal Visit
05 Oct.-04 Nov. 24 Oct-04 Nov.	Korea	Sr M. Antonieta Bruscato Sr Anna Maria Parenzan Sr Anna Caiazza Sr Luz Helena Arroyave Sr Innocencia Tormon Sr Gabriella Santon	Fraternal Visit
05-11 October	Puerto Rico	Sr Gabriella Santon	Visit for a Specific Purpose
12-18 October	Lima	Sr Gabriella Santon	Visit for a Specific Purpose



Daughters of St. Paul

Sr. Pierpaola M. Mariotto, age 74 - 19.07.2010 - Albano, Italy
Sr. Paola Maria Setsu Uchino, age 78 - 20.07.2010 - Tokyo, Japan
Sr. M. Eugenia Assunta Cecchinato, age 89 - 22.07.2010 - Rome AP, Italy
Sr. M. Candida Rosalia Pirrone, age 86 - 26.07.2010 - Albano GA, Italy
Sr. Mary James Theresa Manthra, age 74 - 30.07.2010 - Mumbai, India
Sr. M. Claudia Lolita Parco, age 78 - 14.08.2010 - Pasay City, Philippines
Sr. M. Giuseppina Calogera (Lina) Di Miceli, age 69 - 16.08.2010 - Albano, Italy
Sr. M. Liliana Elda Ventresca, age 89 - 19.08.2010 - Albano GA, Italy
Sr. Renata Innocenza Teresa Bertolusso, age 92 - 22.08.2010 - Alba, Italy
Sr. Maria Rosa Ballini, age 75 - 24.08.2010 - Albano GA, Italy
Sr. M. Alba Motoko Matagawa, age 83 - 27.08.2010 - Hiratsuka, Japan
Sr. Agostinha Tereza Boff, age 85 - 01.09.2010 - São Paulo, Brazil

Parents of Our Sisters

Sr. Giovanna Bonazzi (Mother, Anita) of the community of Ferrara, Italy
Sr. Luzia Goulart (Mother, Stefana) of the community of Curitiba, Brazil
Sr. M. Claudia Carrano (Father, Miguel) – at home, Argentina
Sr. Perla Mariano (Mother, Alipia) of the community of Pasay D.A., Philippines
Sr. M. Patricia Pottananiyil (Mother, Mary of the Generalate community, Rome, Italy
Sr. Ancy John and Regi John Vallayil (Mother, Theresia) of the communities of Mumbai, India and Moscow, Russia
Sr. Nerina Zanardo (Mother, Agnese) of the community of Sydney, Australia
Sr. Priti Gloria Lakra (Father, Albinus) of the community of Madrid, Spain
Sr. Dolly Ravelomanana (Father, François Xavier) of the community of Antananarive, Madagascar

Pauline Family

Br. Antonio Gabriele Donato, ssp, age 65 - 21.07.2010 - Turin, Italy
Sr. M. James Tharappel, pddm, age 59 - 02.08.2010 - Bangalore, India
Sr. Marta Gabrielli, sgbp, age 62 - 09.08.2010 - Saliceto Panaro, Italy
Br. Paul Gerard James Mann, ssp, age 61 - 17.08.2010 - Youngstown, Ohio, USA
Fr. Luigi Gabriele Todaro, ssp, age 77 - 18.08.2010 - Alba, Italy
Fr. Carmelo Venanzio Panebianco, ssp, age 84 - 21.08.2010 - Rome, Italy
Sr. Maria Stella Lipparoni, sgbp, age 81 - 27.08.2010 - Albano, Italy
Fr. Emilio Ilario Corsero, ssp, age 93 - 28.08.2010 - Ariccia, Italy
Fr. Matteo Antonio Mighita Takuma, ssp, age 71 - 10.09.2010 - Tokyo, Japan
Br. Riccardo Pierino Panno, ssp, age 83 - 11.09.2010 - Rome, Italy
Br. Angelo Lorenzo Bolzon, ssp, age 85 - 18.09.2010 - Genzano RM, Italy

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