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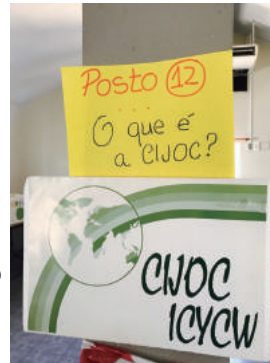


April - July 2017

REGIONAL COORDINATION

Trilateral meeting in Barcelona

The trilateral meeting was held in Barcelona. This annual trilateral meeting is held in turns with YCW Spain, Italy, Portugal and Catalonia. YCW Catalonia was hosting movement of this year. It is the meeting with National Secretariat among these movements. Noella, the general secretary, was invited to come as a coordinator of Europe. Each movement presented the current situation and they shared their experience. The federation leaders of Catalonia welcomed the participants. We celebrated the mass all together.



Summer camp in Portugal

The national summer camp of YCW Portugal was held end of the July in Penamacor with approximately 100 young people. The main theme of the camp was the effective relationship. The participants experienced different activity during the camp. Each day followed the See-Judge-Act methodology. The young people learned about the health relationship between opposite gender, family and society. They shared what they have learned during the camp. The common thing is LOVE. Noella, the General Secretary, presented the international dimension of the ICYCW during the camp.

REPRESENTATION

World Youth Day preparation Meeting

The WYD evaluation meeting was held end of the April in Rome. It is organized by the Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life of Vatican.

The main objectives of the meeting were evaluation the WYD in Cracow 2016 and preparation for the upcoming Synod 2018 and next WYD in Panama 2019.

The delegates are the youth and ministers of the from the different countries and international youth movements. Berhanu, the international president, and Noella, General Secretary, participated this meeting on behalf of the ICYCW. It was also given the great opportunity to have a vigil and Palm Sunday mass with the Pope Francisco.



and we were able to share with the rest of the participants on what we were doing for the development of the Young People and for the development of the church.

We had the chance to talk to some Bishops about the importance of supporting the young people by allowing them to take responsibilities, giving them responsibilities, and allowing them to lead while accompanying them, as it was well put by the YCW founder who said, "Everything FOR the Young People, BY the Young People, and Among the Young People, but nothing without the Chaplain".

Pope Francis said, "members of the international lay organization must continue to make their presence known in all areas of life, from the world of politics and business to prisons, hospitals and factories. The Church needs missionaries, not 'clericalized' laity".

The YCW methodology is very present to our realities in life where we SEE our daily experience and challenges, JUDGE to allow decision making by making reference to our Bibles for personal reflection, and ACT where we do something concrete to facilitate change in our daily lives with the vision of bringing the gospel to the world of work.

It was very clear that our Pope was calling all of us to reach out to the Young People.

So YCW LEADER, let us do our best to help the young people especially those in the grassroots, for them to discover their abilities. Let's help them to become responsible people in the church and in the society.



International Forum of Catholic Action (IFCA) meeting

The ICYCW was invited to participate in the 2nd International Congress on Catholic Action organized by the International Forum of Catholic Action – IFCA (Foro Internacional Accion Cactolica – FIAC).

The international secretariat attended this meeting which was held in Rome and had the opportunity to meet with representatives from 11 different international movements working as specialized Catholic action movements. The meeting also gave the secretariat a chance to meet with YCW leaders from Rwanda, Spain, and Portugal and together we brought the voice of the ICYCW to the international dimension.

It was an opportunity to show that YCW does not work alone but as a coordination of many movements

