

COUNTRY REPORT FORMAT

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I. Membership

A. Name and/or names of ICCFM member groups in your country:

Christian Family Movement _____
Family Life Promotion _____
Basic Ecclesial Communities _____

B. Types of members: (check as applicable)

Couples (90%)
 Families
 Solo parents
 Widows, widowers, etc.

Number of active families (Please count a solo parent or a widow, widower, etc., as one family):

over 100* families

*The CFM has 4 families; the Family Life Promotion group has 10 families; and most of the others are the CFM-affiliated BEC groups all over the country, mostly in rural areas, all under Fr. Bunsong's responsibility. The sizes of the groups during meetings vary so much from time to time and depend so much on the initiative of the parish priests.

C. Frequency of meetings

Every two weeks
 Every month
 Other (describe) On special Church feasts and family occasions

D. Top three family evangelization or family ministry services in your country

- Marriage Encounter Seminar
- Promotion of Bible Study
- Membership in the St. Vincent the Paul Society and the Legion of Mary

II. List of Actions on the 2004 World Assembly Resolutions (as applicable to your country)

Resolution No. 1 Prayer

- Emphasis on Bible study before every BEC/CFM meeting
- Encouragement of attendance at Mass as a family

Resolution No. 2 Action

- Organizing the youth to take active role in Holy Mass
- Giving musical training to the youth for the Church music ministry
- Serving families through membership in the St. Vincent de Paul Society and the Legion of Mary

III. The Present and the Future

A. Most notable country achievements in 2004 – 2007

- Increase of fruitful inter-religious dialogue between Catholics and Buddhists as a means of evangelization
- Establishing norms for mixed marriages that are acceptable and beneficial to both Catholic and non-Catholic partners

B. One concrete “2007 - 2010 Plan of Action” for the survival and/or expansion of the CFM evangelization mission in your country

More emphasis in Bible study by

- promoting Bible study through the post by mailing Bible passages provided with guide questions
- Increasing the youth’s participation in Bible study through contests and youth encounters