



Association of Mary Queen of All Hearts holds formation sessions

ANTANANARIVO, Madagascar - Montfortian associates of the *Association Marie Reine des Cœurs* (AMRC), met at Foyer Montfort Andraisoro on the 26th and 27th of November 2024, for training sessions and a meeting presided by Father Arnold SUHARDI, SMM, the Contact Person for the Montfortian Lay Associates.

Coming from the centers of Antananarivo, Tamatave, Morondava, Mananjary, Brickaville and Maromamyn, driven by the Holy Spirit, the associates left their homes and families for an 8-hour long trip, for the love of Wisdom, to deepen their sense of spirituality and hence, better contribute to the Montfortian Mission. The first day of the meeting began with a reading of the AMRC's status, with clarifications brought by Father Arnold and followed by sessions on the theme "The Baptism" and "Being a missionary disciple", with reference to the hymn 154: "The true Christian".

The second day was about the AMRC's life all over the world and in Madagascar; the international association, the different activities practiced by all associates in living their consecration, and finally, all difficulties they have encountered in relation to their spirituality. Note that the AMRC counts 235 members scattered in the 9 centers of Madagascar.

The past days were enriched by testimonials about the way of life in each center, and concluded with the Holy Mass presided over by Father Arnold while the aspirants of the *Maison de Formation* helped at the altar.

The 2-day meeting allowed the associates to get to know themselves better, to better assimilate their spirituality, to better know the association which they belong to, and with the mutual desire to proclaim the Reign of Jesus through Mary, to better continue the Mission! "Let us be

a true Christian by living and renewing our baptismal promises with the Father of Montfort's consecration. We shall be real missionary disciples to being bearer of the Good News and missionary of God's mercy...."

Have a blessed mission and happy Advent!

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