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Update for Co-ordinators and Link Sisters

From the International Presentation Lay Movement for Mission Team

The first six months

As an International Presentation Lay Movement for Mission Team we have been working together for six months. You will be aware we have produced three newsletters and thank you for all you have done to circulate them. The response has been wonderful.

One purpose of Nano's Echo has been to help us understand the level of engagement of Associates and Friends of Nano around the world. By the responses we receive it is possible to see where there is energy.

We meet together

regularly via Skype. An early decision was for us to be very transparent. We know that we can only move forward if there is collaboration between the team, yourselves and in consultation with all units. Be assured no decision will be made without good consultation.

We were given seven tasks from the Congregational Leadership Team and have made some progress. This communication is to let you know where we are at.

Please help us with task 5 (more information on the document that arrived with this communication).



Mildred Soldevilla pbvm



Maria Owen



Mary-Ann Greaney



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The emblems at the top of the page:

We have attempted to compile emblems that different units use. These are the ones we have discovered.

Do you have one that you could send us?

Is there a better photo you could send us?

Is the one displayed still correct?

1. Review the development of this movement to date

Maria Owen from England has formed a team of Associates and Friends of Nano to explore work that has been undertaken in previous years. In the past Associates and Friends of Nano and Sisters have responded to

questionnaires on what has happened in their unit. The answers have been compiled and in some cases sent back to the units as a resource. Other information has been a resource for the Congregational Leadership

Team and they passed it onto the current Team. Maria's team plan to have the bones of this task completed by 30 September. It will be put in a useable format and made available to anyone who would like it.

We are keen to receive any input or insights you are able to give us. We represent only three countries. We would like to be able to share and celebrate the full and rich diversity that all our cultures have to offer. It is not about all being the same rather unity in diversity.

2. Support building the Movement at local and Unit level

Nano's Echo is the primary tool for achieving this task. It is designed to be an easy read with very short blocks of information. The Core Values are always on the front page to remind us what we are about.

Nano understood that education was a key to liberate people to live life more fully. For those who want more in depth information there are links to Presentation websites that people may explore on their own or as a group. There is a wealth of resources



already available so Nano's Echo helps point people to where they may be found.

The crossword puzzles are popular and a growing number of groups are completing them together. They are a fun way to help people become more familiar with Nano's story. The aim is to try and create the crosswords from resources that may be easily found either on the internet or a book found in most Presentation convents.

In the last issue a good news story and photo on Fargo was published and we would love to include other groups. To achieve that **we need you to send us the material.**



3. Link with the Units to find ways to broaden and strengthen the Movement

This communication addresses some of this task. The intention is to update you on where we are at every six months. We will also be in touch from time to time seeking information and will always share the results.

From enthusiastic responses and engagement with naming the newsletter and requests for crossword

solutions there is significant 'movement'.

Nano's Echo helps give a big picture. The intention is to produce four editions a year at a time that does not clash with other PBVM publications.

We would love some feedback if you have any suggestions on what more we could be doing.

What else would you like from us?

4. Build the international network for this Movement

Readers of Nano's Echo have been given the opportunity to join the Presentation Facebook page and twitter. It has also been made easy to subscribe to Justice Works and Presentation e-news. You may like to encourage people to subscribe to some of these to find out what is



happening in other places. It would be great to continue to submit articles to e-news and we understand each unit has a person responsible for submitting material to e-news. Rather than compete with other Presentation initiatives Nano's Echo is designed to compliment what is already



on offer.

A number of groups have suggested they would like to 'twin' with another group. Is this something you would like to do? Another idea is to compile a contact list for people who would like to Skype with others. Are these ideas something your group would support? **Are you able to suggest something that may work for your group?**

5. Clarify the different level of commitments and criteria around what constitutes different groups—Associates, Friends of Nano and Others.

With this communication you received a few simple questions about how people understand the terms Associate, Friends of Nano, and Others.

It will be extremely helpful if you were able to gather the information from as many people as possible. There are no right or wrong answers.

We will compile what is sent and use the results to decide the next step (just like Nano—one step at a time).

We would be grateful if you could have this completed and back to us by 31 October 2015.



View of the village of Killavullen and the Nagle Mountains from Monanimy Castle

6. Develop a proposal that enables the growth and sustainability of this Movement

Mildred Soldevilla pbvm from the Philippines is gathering a team to explore this task. Some of the questions the team are considering are:

What process could be used to determine how to enable growth and sustainability?

Who should we be dialoguing with?

How to make a proposal generic

enough that it is inclusive of the diversity of cultures as well as the interfaith dimension that exists in some places?

What steps will need to be taken so the movement is sustainable?

What does sustainability look like?

It is a major task to hear the voices urging us at this time in our history to create new harmonies to release

the richness of the charism.

We expect to be able to present a proposal to the Congregational Leadership Team at the end of our term in January 2017.

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7. Explore a name that will encompass all the levels of membership of this Movement (Decision, CG 2012)

Associates in Fargo USA have agreed to suggest a process to come up with a name that will encompass all levels of membership. There was very high interest in finding a name for the newsletter and an 'umbrella' name for us all is a significant undertaking.

International Presentation Lay

Movement for Mission is a transitional name while a new name is being explored.



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She was a woman who in her simplicity dared greatly...
dared to let herself be guided by the Spirit of God.
And when the Spirit like some will-o'-the-wisp
on the mountains, led her
from the warmth of what was safe and comfortable,
out past the four walls of what
was 'enough and reasonable'
away beyond the security of the familiar,
tried and proven,
she followed with laughter in her heart!
For she had caught a glimpse of the Divine delight
in reversing human logic,
in drawing power from weakness,
wisdom from folly,
Life from death.

Raphael Consedine pbvm

We are struggling with this!

We understand that each unit has a Co-ordinator and a Link Sister who has access to a computer. The team are reliant on you to distribute Nano's Echo to those in your network.

Our concern is for those who do not have a computer and not able to follow the links or subscribe to Presentation publications. While those with the technology can communicate with us at the press of a button we wonder how we can be more inclusive of those who do not have a computer.

Can we assume that you are able to manage those without computer access so they are able to engage fully? **We would love to hear how you do it.**

Our other area of concern is for those who do not understand English. A Friend of Nano in Lima has offered to translate some material into Spanish but what about other languages. **Is there a need for translation where you minister?**

The delightful sketch of Nano in the tree is full of the joy and appreciation of God's gift of creation and the freedom to enjoy it. We would like to create an international Presentation environment where everyone is nurtured and can participate with confidence and freedom regardless of access to computers or the ability to understand English. **Is this happening? What do you suggest?**

