Memories of MME Weekend Retreat October 17-19, 2014 (Class 33)

As always, the past MME Weekend Retreat was beautiful!

Friday Night

It began with GIVING. MME members as they arrived were full of enthusiasm and readiness to offer their services. The bountiful "handa" brought in by Bro. Gerry and Sis Chris Cadhit signalled the sharing that will happen the following days – sharing of food, talents, sacrifices, tears and laughter. "Happy Birthday," Bro. Gerry; many thanks for your generosity, sa uulitin 😳

The Welcome and Endearing Qualities set the tone for wonder-eyed (or "tired eyed?) candidates. Nevertheless, they felt the warm welcome at once.

Saturday

Activities were all synchronized and on schedule, talks finished on time and meals served on time. Great job, Rector and Proctors! Joke time began! Laughter, fun, contented stomachs were the call of the day. And of course, "Kodak-an," with pictures, pictures, pictures....Everyone was in good spirits!

Saturday Afternoon

A time to laugh, a time to cry, a time to be merry, a time to be sad.....these are the themes of the talks as couple sharers opened their hearts and shared their moving stories to all in attendance. Thank you .couple sharers, your light surely shone.

Saturday Rosary and Holy Mass

Two priests and a deacon with a full house of MME members! What more can anyone ask for? Thank you Lord, for the gift of Your Shepherds. The sound of everyone's voice praying the rosary must have been music to Mama Mary's ears. She must have interceded for our needs.

Sabado Night, Ang Saya Saya!

Very well executed! Sumptuous dinner! Best Roast Beef in town! Kudos to the Chefs and kitchen staff led by Bro. Augie! And volunteers came to help too! Couple power and Coupleness and "Singles" in action! Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Props, Music, Entertainment

Once again, the hidden talents are out! Props were Awesome! Original! Creative! Innovative! What more can anyone say? Thank you, Bro, Boyet and crew!

Can MME couples sing and dance? Of course, they can! No sweat! Dramatization? Yes, they did it too! Wonderful entertainment, Class #31!

Music and Theme Songs

Delivered Hi-Tech! Love those sound effects-Jeopardy jingle, Hallelujah, a baby's cry, delivered just at the right time. Good job, Bro. Gerry! That's it. You're the official DJ, the next time around.

Emcees Bro. Philip and Sis Vicky- great punch lines, clean interviews, funny, entertaining and enjoyable. Excellent job! Keep it up.

Mananita

"Kung ayaw ninyong magpatulog, magpatulong kayo!" sabi ng isang Candidate, but they still opened their door, smiling and sleepy-eyed.

Hot pandesal and champorado (thank you Sis Precy) at 5 AM were good, even though the coffee maker kept shutting off. *Malay ba naming hindi pala puedeng pagsabayin and coffee maker at hot water kettle, trip ng trip and kuryente, hehe.*

Music Ministry

The sessions would have been dull without music and singing. *Talagang lab na lab yung "Ngek, Ngek" song*. Fun to behave stupid once in a while. *Buti na lang hindi kami nahipan ng hangin, otherwise, hindi lang lawit ang dila ng mga songers, kundi komang pa! Pero, enjoy naman.*

Silent Angels at Work!

Bro. Dan and Sis Cat Trespeces kept all the washrooms clean! They did it alone, the most humble of jobs. Mama Mary must have been smiling on both you. Maraming, maraming salamat!

Liturgy and Spiritual Direction

Very Well prepared, lovely flowers, well coordinated (Bro. Jorge, Sis Opel and team)

Fr. Albert, we will love you always. Once again, your down to earth talks, guidance and Bible readings completed the spiritual enrichment for the Weekend.

Fr. Joel, you are a breath of fresh air to the Movement, with your simplicity, humility, candor (and jokes). MME will love you so sooo much that you would not want to leave us (ever) \bigcirc .

Rector and Proctors

Although first timers, their composure, diligence, organization, coordination, and delivery were very impressive!

Excellent job! Rector Bro. Ron and Sis Becky, Proctors Sealtiel's and Sarmiento's. God bless you.

These are my recollection and my fond memories of the Weekend from Friday evening to Sunday noon. I left feeling fulfilled, happy and content.

I wished I stayed for the Wedding Renewal but I had to leave for a much awaited commitment with the Blessed Mother at 1:30, the amazing result of which I might share in the future.

MME, I will love you again and again,

Sis Norma Layno

Thank you for giving my nephew (Joe's Godson) and his wife Maricel a weekend they will cherish and remember.



Tita Nomay, thank you po sa sponsorship namin. Maricel and I really had a great and wonderful time with you and the MME family. Give our regards to Ninong. We are praying for him.

We love you, Rolly and Maricel (*Email received on October 20, 2014 4:38 PM*)

Thank you Lord, Mama Mary and St. John Paul II for such a beautiful and fruitful Weekend.