

## Comments about Presentation

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| 1  | <b>Comments about Presentation</b>   |
| 2  | Video was informative.   |
| 3  | I appreciate the openness of the presentation.   |
| 4  | I am very grateful for the information shared and the small group conversation. It is helpful in circumstances like this to have 2 small group opportunities with the same questions, then if one is not very satisfactory, the second could be. Maybe triads, shorter time, but two chances for good info to be realized. In the small group we shared about the challenges and successes of our MC's in response to how we might move forward. Of the group of 4 only one MC was reported as satisfactory, as truly life-giving. It was once a month for 10 months, it was hybrid because they were in our high school and had the equipment to support the physical presence as well as zoom participation, it was smaller i.e. less than 15 people in total, I think, and both sisters and associates were active with each other outside the meetings. 4 important elements that spoke to commitment and relationship: smaller, hybrid, regular, and related in ministries as well as attending the meetings. A good solid base, I think. |
| 5  | As I reflected on the first question, I realized that as we moved into the concept of Centers for Life, we have in some ways over the years been preparing for this "New Life". Mother Marie Rose always responded to the needs of the time. Over my 55 years in FL. I have witnessed many changes. When I read the current statics I realized that our Ministry in FL. is already in the hands and hearts of our wonderful committed Associates. The seven of us who are at various stages of life(all octogenarians)   |
| 6  | I attended on the 21st and then watched the recording before deciding my / our answers for the survey.   |
| 7  | Wonderful presentation, well prepared and easy to follow. I especially appreciated having the core values delineated and explained- it gives clear purpose to the Center of Life.  |
| 8  | Thank you for all your work and your Presence.   |
| 9  | Thank you ... once again I found the demographics and other statistics as backdrop to our conversations ... without them we are "shooting in the dark" ...   |
| 10 | 1) I am interested in what is the participation of sisters with the associates in developing our Centers of Life.  |
| 11 | It seems essentially not much different then we are now; more similar to the Mission Center model; just increasingly smaller.  |
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| 13 | I am not sure I have much to respond to except to say ....there is a way of being that I feel is the "heart of it all." Namely, each of us can be the 'center' right where we are. Without this it may be that "centers" will now become our way of deflecting ministry to stay "out there" . Without us or me being the center I am not too interested ...i.e. in another 'project.'  |

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| 14 | I am teaching 32 hours a week; therefore, I am short of time to do many things. However, I must say that I did have knowledge of these events, and I do understand that changes are coming up.  |
| 15 | This was a good experience for me.  |
| 16 | We felt that the statics shared were informative and appreciated. As far as information of the actual circles most thought in our small group that they were already in small support groups if they chose and participated in larger community gatherings.   |
| 17 | The PLT part was good and clear, and I liked the question. I found the small group conversation this time somewhat disconcerting. I was surprised and disappointed that we didn't get to creative ideas about structuring the centers so they are places where we can all show up for each other, in multiple residential contexts.   |
| 18 | Very interesting and clear for what we know at present. Number of sisters came as a shock. I knew we were smaller, but did not realize how necessary this new dynamic is  |
| 19 | I appreciated the information in the video, but I think I missed a lot by not being part of the small group conversations.  |
| 20 | I had a conversation after listening the video with small group.  |
| 21 | What spoke to me most was the purpose of centers of life based on commitment to foster as much as possible spirituality, belonging, engagement, greater awareness. The "how " in each region evolves through dialogue as a group and equally important is the sharing by each member on how and to what extent she is able and hopes to commit personally. This helps each of us then to know how to support our group and each other . |
| 22 | Well prepared and clear presentation.   |
| 23 | I was not able to access the recording.   |
| 24 | - Well presented. - Still clarifying how to set up centers of life.   |
| 25 | We really want to connect with one another in a meaningful way but factors of age and health are not insignificant.   |
| 26 | I had trouble getting the video on my phone and then I forgot about it.   |
| 27 | A very clear precise summarization of previous information regarding Mission Centers. Interesting reality graphs. For folks who skip small groups I wish a time frame to return for closing prayer would be an option.  |
| 28 | The various grafts were helpful for reflection.   |
| 29 | I thought it was informative.   |
| 30 | Grateful for the graphs and information that pointed directly to some of the challenges for communication and the excitement of broadening our connections and insights. Since I work for the Associates, I am aware that there are vital Associates in Spokane, Yakima Valley, and Seattle but even we have not connected as we hoped to. The change to the US-Ontario Province was challenging but then so rewarding and broadening.  |

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| 31 | The demographics were very helpful. In areas where populations are small, it will probably easier to form. In Northern Cal, it will be much harder to form 2-3 groups with people who are compatible and supportive without hurting feelings of others. I would hope that the people who are at Cedar Creek or seriously ill are spread among the various groups so we can all be supportive of those unable to understand the concepts of this new reality.   |
| 32 | Thank you for doing community conversations each month.  |
| 33 | I appreciate the effort and guidance to evolve to this next level of governance.   |
| 34 | I came late to small group due to technical difficulties so was brief yet good.  |
| 35 | I did not join a group. However, I perceive that there is still alot of confusion, hesitation, possible fear regarding this issue. One question that noone has stated is: Will there be a point person in each Life Center? Will she have any athority to make decisions, take care of existing problems etc. etc. etc. I support this wholeheartedly with prayer & feel that our foundress & first PLT weathered thru' muddy waters in the past & continued on for years & feel that our congregation will continue to do when there is a more clear picture.   |
| 36 | Could we have more of the small group conversations? I found it helpful to learn about the different realities and points of view as we make our local plans for our future together.  |
| 37 | I appreciate the opportunities for general participation in the ongoing process to discern the best practices. Thank you!  |
| 38 | Maureen's question, "How will we show up for one another?" helped me regard Centers of Life in a new way. I appreciated the stress that Centers of Life will vary, and the repetition of "as much as they are able." Both realistic. My advice is not to consider a minimum or maximum number - they will change rapidly; and we need to expect change, that what we set up now will meet the needs for "now" but that we'll need to keep changing our set up as we ourselves change in numbers, location, capacity, etc. I'm asking myself what is unique about Centers of Life - what needs/desires do they fulfill that other ways of connecting don't? What comes to me is that they guarantee that everyone belongs and is a vehicle where everyone is "reached" and "known." |
| 39 | I was only able to stay for the first half hour, so I also watched the video.  |
| 40 | Made us think practically, realistically, concretely.  |
| 41 | Statistics - very appreciated Very satisfied with our "Center of life" given our size and make-up our group.   |
| 42 | Our small group was mostly Merrill Gardens so there was not much variety of responses. Just confirmation of the tremendous personal health support, creative seasonal parties and adequate spiritual support by our Health Care Team and Merrill Gardens folks. There was not enough time given to our second grouping sharing.  |
| 43 | My experience of the Nov. 21 Community Conversations was all good. Our small groups shared well. The only suggestion I would like to make is that we needed more time, particularly in the second group. We all had more to say so I am grateful for this communication.   |
| 44 | Very informative and well done!  |

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| 45 | The concept of Centers of Life sounds good to me. I hope for a group that really wants to gather, ideally in person, to share prayer and SNJM life and our personal journeys as members are comfortable..  |
| 46 | I live at South Hill Village in Spokane and my small group consisted of the 4 sisters I live with here.  |
| 47 | I am an Associate/Affiliate. How do we know to which Life Center we belong? I work with sisters at the Villa, so I assume I belong to the Villa. No one has communicated this to me. I just assumed. The Sisters at the Villa have invited me to join them for some holiday luncheons they have had. My Prayer Group started at the Villa quite some time ago and I was invited to join when I first moved to Santa Cruz. So it was easy for me to make that assumption. |
| 48 | I have a hard time making myself understood, so I didn't join a small group.   |
| 49 | I wonder if it could be encouraged that we not speak over another's . Muting and/or unmuting still a challenge for many people. As we age/diminish , it will continue. Maybe some ZOOM etiquette is needed.  |
| 50 | Some people shared the work they are doing. Different services seem important to them  |
| 51 | I felt today was enriching   |
| 52 | All in both of my small groups, except one Affiliate, were SNJM's in California. While I appreciated getting to know them a bit better, and appreciated what they shared, a more diverse group, with more perspectives, would have been welcome.   |
| 53 | Sorry, must have missed it.  |
| 54 | Very well organized and positive   |
| 55 | Thanks for all the prep work to make this happen   |
| 56 | My second small group had technical problems.  |
| 57 | Albert, one in my first small group lived in the San Jose area and two lived at Merrill Gardens. I am very happy with the situation that we have in the San Jose area. We are afforded many opportunities to get together both for prayer and for social events.   |
| 58 | I have chosen to go to Mass as it is offered at the same time as the Zoom meeting. I'm sorry not to be able to participate in person at these Conversations.   |
| 59 | As an associate, it has been very clear to sense how this process for the sisters is challenging and grief producing. Always seeing the demographics of our aging community brings it right home. There is also a very clear intention to create, support, unite, and take great care of one another right now and in the future, which is comforting. I appreciate the leadership and wisdom that is guiding this transitional/transformational process.                |
| 60 | I liked the idea of large gatherings (as we have at Merrill Gardens) supplemented by small groups for those who want. I am not for more meetings.  |

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| 61 | I am grateful to the province leadership team for guiding us through this evolving process. The sisters in the small group seem very positive with the ways life is lived out in the current Mission Centres. |
| 62 | I look forward to the compilation of notes from the survey. The closing video was refreshing! Thank you!  |
| 63 | My first group had the full time although a longer time would have been appreciated----- maybe giving longer time to just one group   |