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After DLSL we moved to Dasmariñas, Cavite where the Residencia Community is located. The community of five Brothers caters to four institutions in the vicinity. Br. Dennis Magbanua is the Director of community and the President of De La Salle Zobel. Br. Lazaro assists him in campus ministry. Lazaro is from the sector of Japan but has been on loan to the Philippines since 2010. Br. Gus Boquer is President of De La Salle University Dasmariñas and DLS Health Science Institute. Br. Richie Yap is Vice Chancellor for Mission over at De La Salle Canlubang. Br. Arian Lopez is currently on a 6-month break from ministry to prepare for final vows (program is called Parmenie).

All visits to communities ended with a community meeting as Tom and I made a presentation on LEAD. Tom conducted all the personal interviews in the three communities we visited. I wish to thank the Brothers for the warm welcome accorded to Tom and myself. My sincerest congratulations for the well planned launching of the centenary celebrations.

**First Vows and Acceptance to the Postulancy.** Jericho Blanquisco pronounced First Vows on 18 June 2011 in front of his family, friends and the Lasallian Family. He is the third Brother from LEAD to do so after John Niran and Sebastian Charoen from Thailand. There were also nine young men who were accepted into the Postulancy program of the sector of the Philippines. It is a one – year program in preparation for the novitiate. Director of the postulants is Br. Vincent Fernandez.

**Entrance to the Novitiate and Habit Taking (photo).** It was a joyous occasion as 11 young men were accepted into the Novitiate program on June 26 at the La Salle Novitiate in Lipa. Five 2- year novices took the habit as well bringing the total number of novices to 16! Of the 16 novices, 11 are from LEAD (8 Filipinos, 1 from Myanmar, 1 Singaporean and 1 from Indonesia). Br. David Hawke, chairman of the Novitiate Board was there to welcome everyone. Br. Ambrose Payne handed the robe to John Francis (PNG) and shared his reflection on the gospel.

Fraternally,

**Br. Edmundo L. Fernandez FSC**  
(In Hong Kong)