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January 30 and 31 I spent interviewing the Brothers of La Salle Bangkok. There are five Brothers in Bangna with Br. Stephen Pitchit as Director of the community and Br. Peter as Director of the school. Br. Luke Chaiporn and Frank Suriya ably assist him with some administrative function aside from teaching English. Luke is also in charge of Alumni affairs. Francisco Teerayut is a member of the community but is primarily studying in preparation for his teaching license.

I will be visiting Chantaburi and the formation house in Sampran when I get return to Thailand in a few months. I flew out 1 February for Myanmar.

I wish to thank the Brothers of the Sector of Thailand for the welcome and all the preparations done for during the visits. Special thanks to Sector Leader Br. Stephen Kan FSC for making all the arrangements.

**Visit to the Sector of Myanmar | 1 – 7 February | 3 Communities.** The flight to Rangoon from Bangkok takes less than an hour. I took the morning flight and landed in Rangoon that was cooler than usual. Br. Mark Murphy picked me up; we dropped my bags in the Provincialate and proceeded to St. Paul's community in the cathedral. I interviewed Br. Anselm Balthazar, Br. Edward Soe and Community Director, Br. John La Maung. Brs. Anselm and Edward are retired but John La Maung helps out in the running of the daily activities in the Cathedral. We ended with lunch in the community.

February 2, I began my interviews with the Brothers at the Provincialate community. The Sector Leader is also the Director, Br. Lawrence Goh. Former Auxiliary Visitor of the Sub District, Br. Leonard Lewis, is a member of the community but also retired. He does English tutoring to some students who come to the community. Ling John is the Director of the Learning Center and is ably assisted by Mandy Dujunco. Mark Murphy, Administrative Assistant to the Sector of Myanmar, is based in the Provincialate but also travels around to the different communities when needed. Philip is the Sector's bursar but also is very helpful to Br. Lawrence as he assists him in his duties as Sector Leader in various ways.

On the 3<sup>rd</sup>, I flew to Mandalay and traveled by land to May Myo where I met the Brothers assigned to the boarding department, the Postulancy and the Aspirancy. There are six Brothers in Maymyo with Joseph Lian Thang as the over all Director. Working with him in the boarding department would be William Soe, who is in charge of discipline and Stephen who looks after the grounds. The latter also makes furniture from discarded pieces of wood, a very useful hobby altogether.

In the Postulancy, across the road, is Joseph A looking after five postulants. He is assisted by Mark Sixtus who teaches scripture. Beside the boarding department is the newly renovated Aspirancy House where John Ne' O acts as Director though he reports to Joseph A. Coming down from Kalaw just for the visit was Morris who is in charge of the Come and See program.

The Sector of Myanmar has a good number of candidates at the moment. Currently there are three incoming novices who are now in Green Hills, possibly one or two may follow before the opening of the novitiate program. They have about 5 postulants and similar number of aspirants and more than 10 come and see boys.

On my last day we had a council meeting in the Provincialate. My gratitude to Lawrence and Mark for organizing the visit and to the Community Directors.

Faternally,

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