



COUPLES FOR CHRIST

Families in the Holy Spirit Renewing the Face of the Earth

Note: Each household head must read this letter during the weekly prayer meeting, before starting the worship within the month of August. Prayers during the worship can be dedicated to CFC and its global mission. Please make copies and distribute to household members so they can also read the same letter to their respective lower households. Don't delay. Chapter heads are encouraged to give a copy to the parish priests in their areas.

AN OPEN LETTER TO ALL CFC MEMBERS

August 10, 2007

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Greetings of peace!

We consider this time in the life of our community Couples For Christ a momentous event as we, your newly elected members of the Council, announce with regret that, with their actuations, a splinter group of members of CFC has broken away from our community.

This unfortunate turn of events occurred despite efforts to reconcile.

Our seemingly irreconcilable differences with the splinter group stemmed from, sadly, the central mission of CFC: Our Mission of Bringing Glad Tidings to the Poor--- the mission of Jesus Christ on earth, which at the onset, Bro. Frank Padilla supported and upheld as the act of making our Faith come alive and the means to fulfill the vision of "Families in the Holy Spirit, renewing the face of the earth." In recent months, Bro. Frank changed his views on the social dimension of our work with the poor through Gawad Kalinga.

CFC continues to believe that our anointing as a community of lay faithful carries with it the responsibility of uplifting God's people from the shackles of poverty and transforming the nation by bringing dignity back to our poor countrymen. Therefore, **we will not separate CFC from Gawad Kalinga.**

With hope and joy, we also affirm our commitment to provide upright governance to Couples For Christ in the Philippines and in the 159 other countries that God has allowed us to bring to His fold, enjoying His manifold grace. This we will do under the guidance of our beloved bishops who continue to appreciate the work we do in their various dioceses.

Yours in Christ Jesus,

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