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*'Receptivity & Commitment to the Person and Culture of the Holy Spirit
Particularly in Covenant Love'*

*The Monterey Bay branch leaders may be contacted with any issues. Please remember
to pray for them: Rob Albright, Greg Beardsley, Pam Flynn, and
Tim Gassaway (PBC)*

This MONTH in COTL October 2nd - October 15th -

10/12 **6:00 p.m. GCG @ Briley's (RSVP to office regrets only)**

Birthday and Anniversary

10/3 **Joe Flynn's birthday**
10/5 **Maggie Farmer's birthday**
10/8 **Mike and Lisa Flynn's anniversary**
10/22 **Albright's anniversary**
10/23 **Roseana Cabral's birthday**
10/25 **Grace Briley's birthday**
10/31 **Greg Beardsley's birthday**

Dates for 2017

11/3-5 ***Leader's meeting in Phoenix***

11/9 ***6:00 GCG @ Gassaway's***

12/2 ***Christmas Party @ Flynn's***

Dates for 2018: For those who like to plan ahead!

2/16 -18 **Convocation**

4/20-22 **Kid's retreat at Ojai**

6/25-29 **Camp Powell**

Dates for Teen Retreat will be made available soon.

City of the Lord is sponsoring a table for the Guadalupe Pregnancy Outreach on Nov. 2nd at 6:00 in Watsonville, 124 Atkinson Lane. Speaker will be the National Director: Priests for Life, Fr. Frank Pavone. The dinner will be paid for by City of the Lord, but they would like people to be able to donate to the cause! Please let me know if you can come - tables hold 8.

Pope's Intention for
October, 2017

Workers and the Unemployed

That all workers may receive respect and protection of their rights, and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good.

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Saint Paul's Street Evangelization
Monterey Bay
October 4, 2017

Do you need a miracle in your life?

This was the question asked of a man on the streets of Detroit. He had just been asked if he wanted a miraculous medal from the national director and founder of Saint Paul's Street Evangelization Steve Dawson. The man had never heard of it and prompted by the Holy Spirit Steve asked him if he needed a miracle in his life. The man said yes, and explained his condition of a bad hip and one leg that was shorter than the other one. He said he had severe pain and was told it was bone on bone. Steve told him that people are being healed every day in the name of Jesus and asked if he would like to be healed. After agreeing to be prayed for Steve said a short prayer and commanded the man be healed in the name of Jesus, the man's hip began to shake. Afterwards he was asked how he felt, the man began to walk around, and then he began to run around jumping up and down yelling that he had been healed. They praised God together then he was asked if he would like to give his life to Jesus, and had he ever thought of becoming Catholic. He gave his life to Jesus right away then began shouting that he was going to become Catholic and he was going to church on Sunday. That was how the evening began when we visited Detroit for training in street evangelization.

After a year of evangelizing on the streets I wanted to improve in my ability and effectiveness to change peoples' lives so my wife Suzanne and I as well as Denny Powell went to Detroit for the Saint Paul's Street Evangelization Leadership Training Institute at the Sacred Heart Major Seminary for a course on advanced evangelization training. There we spent two days learning from some of the leading priests and lay people who teach at the Seminary. The speakers were dynamic and able to keep our attention despite the fact that each talk was 90 minutes and we had eight in two days. We celebrated Mass with the Archbishop of Detroit who encouraged us and gave us his blessing. We were able to meet a lot of people, many of whom we began relationships that we know will last. After the end of the first day we went to downtown Detroit to evangelize on the streets from 7 to 9 pm. Denny, Suzanne and I went to a corner where we spoke to probably sixty people and prayed with about twenty five. None of them were Catholic but they all were open to everything we offered them, from rosaries to miraculous medals, encouragement, and prayers. After giving a young woman a rosary, I asked her if she went to church. She said that

she didn't and I told her that God loved her and wanted to bless her life. I asked her if we could pray for her, she paused then said that her dad had died a couple days ago and her family was having a hard time. I told her I was very sorry to hear that and I asked her what her fathers name was and we prayed for him and her family. She was so thankful. We spoke to a man who had just got out of jail and we encouraged him to repent and come to Jesus. We prayed for him as well. Detroit is an area with severe unemployment and most people were open to anything we could give them, because they had nothing.

The next day was just as powerful. After the session on You will Receive Power: Ministry for healing, we learned a four step process on how to pray for people for healing. After the session they asked us if anyone needed prayer for healing. Several people raised their hands. Using the process we just learned he prayed for each of them and we witnessed their healing. People began to cry as they finished each prayer.

It was a great experience for us and we were truly blessed to be a part of the weekend. Through out history from Moses to the Venerable Solanus Casey God has used ordinary men and women to do extraordinary things. May their example inspire us to be all that God created us to be.

Your brother in Christ,
Tim