A Meeting of Catholic students

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1. Introduction

- Address: contact, mobile phone, residence phone, email address
- Absentees: implications... professional ethics
- Disposition: pay attention, take note, reflect,...cooperation, no escape,...

2. The Objectives are:

- 1. To strengthen their Catholic Commitment.
- 2. To meet new friends and socialize with them.
- 3. To exchange opinions and perceptions on various activities.
- 4. To form team to realize the common resolutions.

3. What distinguishes Catholic University from other universities?

- or What makes a Catholic Univ. catholic?
- a) Consider ownership
 - building
 - teachers & students
 - curriculums
 - outward appearances
 - a chapel + chaplain
 - academic excellence



3. What distinguishes Catholic University from other universities? (cont'd)

- b) Then what is a Catholic University?
 - Loyalty to a concept
 - Commitment to an idea
 - Adherence to a principle
 - Voluntary acceptance of a creed of life

4. Bible

- a) Genesis The creation of the universe and mankind...
- Time of Xt.
- · OT VS NT
- Humanity is God's creation
- b) Commitment to human dignity
- Man created unto the image and likeness of God
- Man redeemed by Christ

5. The Role of AU

- a) AU is a rendezvous of knowledge (an integrated knowledge).
 - Integrated knowledge (sciences & human values)
 - Morality of life.
 - Human values, moral involvements and the sensitivities of people.
 - The dignity of human life.

5. The Role of AU (cont'd)

- b) Catholic concept of man
 - The choice of our commitment is in accordance with the evidence of the truth of Christian Values
 - The values of the Gospel.

5. The Role of AU (cont'd)

- c) Many questions we face in life...
 - Catholic university education "is the book of options, of orientations for life.
 - It does not dispense us from research into concrete applications

5. The Role of AU (cont'd)

- d) Make Christ present in us and in the world in its academic aspect and in its social context.
- This dynamism with a double polarity
 - one oriented towards vertical relationship (Christ and His Church),
 - the other towards horizontal relationship (man and his environment in academic world).
 - A balance between the two must be maintained.

Conclusion:

Our university can be Catholic in sofaras we are able to commit ourselves in this dynamic search and progressive giving of ourselves to Christ in this world.

In all its practicalities...

* Christian presence: not a ticket to a comfortable job.

Conclusion (cont'd)

- Symbols we display
- Place our allegiance to Christ in the forefront of our consciousness...
 - * in activities we perform,
 - * in priorities we choose,
 - * in our respect for truth and beauty,...
 - * in nurturing human potential (a gift from God)
 - * in the pursuit of truth ...

Christian presence is experiencing the love of God and obeying His commandment.



Final Word

- * As a Christian, follower of Christ,...
- * What should be your place (role) in a Catholic University or even in other university?
- * Reflection...