



Catholic Charismatic Renewal International Service

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Dear friends of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal,

Regarding the Asbury revival and its replication in our groups or communities.

As I am sure you are already aware, some young people at Asbury Methodist University (Kentucky - USA) organized a prayer meeting for students on 8 February 2023.

A serene and deep spirit of prayer pervaded the campus, so much so that the worship continues uninterrupted to this day. As the hours passed, people from Asbury, neighboring towns, other states and countries joined in.

An estimated 100,000 people have passed through Asbury so far (the town has a population of only 6,000). Some CHARIS members and friends have traveled to Asbury to participate in this experience and have witnessed it.

"In the worship there is no exaggerated effusiveness and no personal leadership, leading the prayer". "It is as if everyone was collectively constructing the prayer". "Almost all the participants say they have experienced the presence of God's love and a revitalization of faith."

Similar meetings have been organized in other nearby universities and then in other countries.

It is too early to make a full discernment of these episodes, but what is certain is that God wants us to continue to feel His presence and His Love ever more intensely.

In the Catholic Charismatic Renewal, we know these episodes of revival and outpouring of the Holy Spirit very well. We ourselves are the fruit of an outpouring that took place in 1967 at Duquesne Catholic University in Pittsburgh (USA).

After the Asbury episodes, in many Charismatic Renewal groups around the world, prayer, worship and praise meetings are being prepared for the coming days.

To you all:

- We encourage you to follow the inspiration you have felt.



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- We encourage you to accompany with your prayers these brothers and sisters who are living a moment of grace.
- We know that the Holy Spirit blows how He wants, where He wants and when He wants! Therefore, it is not a matter of replicating what is happening there, but of creating a time for adoration, listening and space for the action of the Holy Spirit.
- Let us continue to ask God for the grace of a personal encounter with Him.
- Surely God has much to say to us and many gifts to give us.
- As in the revival mentioned above, let prayer be a community undertaking.
- May those who organize these events always do so with discernment, prudence and the accompaniment of the local Church.

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