Fondacio UK

Rooted in Christ A place of Community, Formation and Mission



Couples and Families

Strengthening

Regular group meetings

Re-discovering what is

^{relationships}

essential



Coaching Young Leaders in Asia

Ongoing coaching programme for graduates in Philippines, Laos, China, Vietnam and Myanmar **Opportunities for volunteering** on various projects



COMMUNITY

Our Faith in God, which calls us to live life in its fullness, is at the heart of our daily lives and commitments within society.

We have the desire to proclaim the Good News, and come together to share, pray, engage in personal and spiritual development, and in the service of others.

Social Outreach

Caring for the marginalised in our society. Growing personally through serving others.



Fondacio is an international movement, with pontifical recognition, that brings together Christians in an ecumenical spirit: approximately 3000 members in 20 countries. Fondacio is committed to the formation of lay leaders and communities, to witness God's love through social and development projects, and to the expression of faith and life in modern society through programs of renewal, dialogue and personal transformation.



"Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another." (1 John 4:11)

Fondacio UK – Our Mission Projects

Coaching in Asia



Fondacio UK have been working with Fondacio Asia since 2009. We have offered sessions in personal development, the enneagram, coaching skills and project development for the students at the Institute of Formation Fondacio Asia (IFF Asia). The relationship continues to grow as one of our community members, Maddy, will be creating an ongoing coaching programme for the graduates of the Institute. Working with

these young people in their home countries (initially the Philippines, Laos, China, Vietnam and Myanmar) Maddy will help to equip them in all aspects of setting up and managing sustainable social development projects.

We are looking at ways that we and others can support Maddy - practically, emotionally and spiritually. There are also opportunities for volunteering – for a month or more....

Couples and Families

Life-giving relationships for couples and families Two great challenges in our society. But we believe they are achievable, and we are experiencing it! Through various forms (sharing groups, open days, retreats) Fondacio offers tools that:

- renew the desire to live together in marriage and within the family
- find positive outcomes when there are challenges

- add a sprititual dimension to your journey as a couple





"We must become the change we want to see in the world." Gandhi

Social Outreach



During his visit to the tiny island of Lampedusa in July 2014, Pope Francis condemned the "globalisation of indifference". Fondacio is committed to helping marginalised people and building a better world through various international and local projects. Marginalised people such as ex-offenders, the homeless, refugees or anybody who feels socially excluded.

In Fondacio, we believe social outreach is a way to witness to our faith and grow in our spiritual journey. Here in the UK, we would like to play our part as there is much to do locally in our communities. As this is a new area of mission for us, the first step will be to join existing groups, such as refugee centres or soup kitchens, as helpers. In the future, with God's help, we hope to organise easy-going evenings and welcome people just for a chat, a hot meal, a prayer or a perhaps a personal development session.

Fondacio UK – Community life

Fondacio believes that the community is at the heart of Christian life. Some people wish to have a time to stop regularly for reflection, to strengthen their inner life, to discover and offer their talents, to put themselves at the service of others.



Through regular faithsharing groups or open community days (three a



year), we aspire to deepen our faith, pray and worship together and share our lives as brothers and sisters in Christ.

Come and see





Everyone is welcome! Christians or non christians, single, couples or families, everyone is welcome to come and see... Our invitation is to live life in its fullness!

Belonging to the Fondacio family.

There are two different ways of being engaged with the community: either as a 'member' or as a 'friend' of the community.

Being a member of the community

This means saying 'yes' to walk the Christian journey proposed by Fondacio by means of life priorities. Through regular community meetings, our wish is to help each other to better discover who God-Trinity is, to become more and more friends and disciples of Jesus Christ. It is to learn, with a Christian community, to discern our individual call, to turn ourselves to the world, to love and be involved in it, and to be on a path of personal transformation.

Members have responsibility for their own relatonship with God and for engaging in the life of the community. They are encouraged to have a personal formation plan, regular one-to-one accompaniment, and to contribute financially

Being a friend

This means signifying a desire to be in friendship with the community, to be kept informed of progress, its life and its proposals. Friends are invited to attend open community days, faith-sharing groups and actively support our projects in a variety of ways.

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