

Notes on Caritas

Hong Kong's Relation to and Contact with China

The reference materials presented by Ms. Joyce Chang, one of the delegation members, during discussion with officials in Beijing and Shanghai

A. Social Work Service

1. 31 youth groups from 13 districts of Caritas' Group and Community Work Service prepared an open letter on the "Future of Hong Kong", a copy of this letter was submitted to the Director of the Xinhua News Agency in Hong Kong on July 25, 1984.
2. A letter dated July 15, 1984 was sent by the Guangzhou Youth Research Association to the Social Work Division of Caritas - Hong Kong to explore the possibilities of co-operation. The Association also invited the representatives of Caritas' Social Work Division to visit Guangzhou.
3. 5 delegates from "The Institute of Civil Affairs Management for Cadres" visited Caritas Cheung Sha Wan Multi-Service Centre for the Elderly on September 17, 1984.
4. 4 delegates from the "Women's Federation of Guangzhou" visited Caritas' social work units on October 29, 1984.
5. Upon the invitation of the "Guangzhou Youth Research Association", the Social Work Secretary and two social workers of Caritas - Hong Kong visited the various social service units of Guangzhou from November 12-15, 1984.
6. 25 youth groups from 12 districts of Caritas' group and Community Work Service prepared a joint letter

on the Sino-British Draft Agreement. A copy of the letter was submitted to the Director of Xinhua News Agency in Hong Kong on November 13, 1984.

7. On March 14, 1985, the Social Work Division of Caritas - Hong Kong invited the "Guangzhou Youth Research Association" to nominate 4 representatives to organize a study tour to Hong Kong from May 19 to 29, 1985.



Dr. John Chan and Ms Joyce Chan chatting with friends in Shanghai.

B. Further and Adult Education Service

Caritas' Further and Adult Education Service has since 1980 jointly organized over 70 training courses with the Chinese. Highlights of their activities are as follows:-

1. Co-operated with the Federation of Workers' Union of Shenzhen since 1980 to organize courses on hotel training, retailing business, basic computer, human resource development etc.

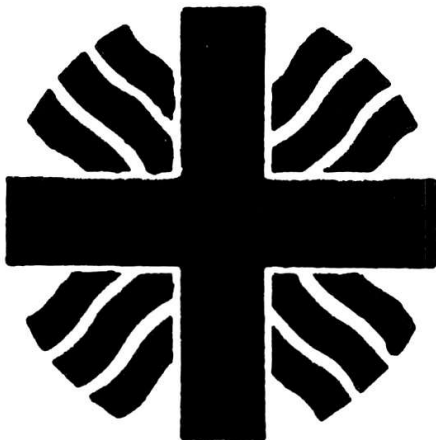
2. During 1983-84, co-operated with the Sea World Co. Ltd., Ming Hua Floating Hotel of Shekou Industrial Economic Zone to conduct on-the-job training for the hotel and catering business staff.
3. Together with Nanhai Hotel of Zhanjiang conducted hotel training course in 1985.

Other courses under planning include the following:-

1. Exploring the possibilities of conducting courses in Guangzhou, with school premises provided by the Chinese and Caritas providing staff and teaching materials.
2. Discussing with the "Institute of Financial and Commercial Management for Cadres" to conduct courses on English Language, chef training, principles of management etc. A study tour to Hong Kong has also been proposed.

C. Medical Service

Upon the invitation of the Pediatrician Association of Fujian, the Consultant of Pediatrician and Nurse-in-charge of Caritas Medical Centre visited China to conduct a workshop.



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