

CFC Thailand - status

1. CFC Thailand believes that the division in the CFC community is not inspired by the Holy Spirit, and that the Holy Spirit considers the CFC global family as one community;
2. CFC Thailand is positioning itself so that it can be in fraternal communion with both groups (CFC-GMFI and CFC-FFL);
3. CFC Thailand therefore seeks closer spiritual guidance and direction from the Catholic Bishops Conference of Thailand (CBCT);
4. CFC Thailand will maintain this status until the Pontifical Commission on Lay Apostolate, which recognized and approved CFC as a private association of the lay faithful in May 2005, issues a definitive statement regarding the status of CFC in the Catholic Church.
5. CFC Thailand retains and continues with the original CFC mission, vision and philosophy as approved by the Vatican with family renewal and evangelization as our main focus, but will also include inter-religious and inter-cultural dialogue and work with the poor;
6. CFC Thailand continues to support the local church's initiatives and programs on "church of the home", otherwise known as Basic Ecclesial Communities (BECs) and "church of the poor" (social action);
7. CFC Thailand will continue to support evangelization programs in the GMA countries.
8. CFC Thailand is recognized by the CBCT, and is under the CBCT Commission on Lay Apostolate and the CBCT Council for Lay Organizations;
9. The 2006 Archdiocese Synod of Bangkok included the CFC formation programs in the new Pastoral Plan on Family for implementation at the parish level in the Archdiocese;
10. CFC Thailand is currently active in the Archdioceses of Bangkok and Tharae-Nongsaeng, and the dioceses of Ubon Ratchathani, Chiangmai, Chantaburi, and Surat Thani; it is also present in the dioceses of Udon Thani and Nakhon Ratchasima; it is not yet present in the dioceses of Ratchaburi and Nakhon Sawan.