

## 聖神與福傳（八）

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### 小聚會

小型聚會人數可由數人至數百人，地點可以是學校、堂區、監獄、餐廳等。我經驗較多的是神恩復興運動（中文組）辦了六次的「見證聚餐」。叫人來吃飯易，叫人來聽說教。每次的節目包括歌頌敬拜、晚餐、神父訓導或閒談、兩個強烈的見證、覆手祈禱和餐桌傾談等，另設兒童組方便父母參與。場面愉快感人，又以基督為中心。我代子的母親和親人，願意開始聽道理吃天國那一餐，跟這些聚餐不無關係。

在過去一年，聖神安排了一個由青年人專務向年青人傳福音的小組——「青傳小組」。他們舉辦了好幾次外展的小型福傳活動，內容包括遊戲、歌頌敬拜、年青人的見證、默劇、討論、神父指導、和「聖神的天空」晚會(20)。

「聖神的天空」晚會是以一大幅十字架的基督畫像做會場和敬拜的中心，以點點燭光襯託。年青人以音樂帶領讚頌敬拜，另有集體的心靈醫治和個別的覆手和向耶穌委身的祈禱。聖神在這些晚會中感動了許多年青人，其中不少從未對信仰認真過——直到這刻如此實在的體驗到天主的愛和臨在。之後他們願意去辦告解，詢問該怎樣祈禱……。在遇到耶穌後才會去悔改，而非完全改變了才能碰到耶穌。

假若這些福音活動沒有音樂讚頌敬拜、有力的見證和運用神恩祈禱服務，它祇是普通的信仰聚會，不會出現後來的效果。「我的宣講，並不在於智慧動聽的言詞，而是在於聖神和祂德能的表現」（格前 2:4）。

### 大聚會

近千到萬人的福傳大會，對教會形象和士氣有好的幫助，亦可以帶給參加者一些對教會的信心，準備其心田去接受福音。可是我們對參加者中的非教友比例不能期望過高，估計通常祇有一到三成是未信主的人。

舉辦這些大會，一次過接觸的人雖然多，但參加者大都祇是被動地坐著看和聽，沒有與主辦者或講者的雙向溝通，帶他去的人也坐著向前看和聽，人際關係（友誼是最重要的福傳因素之一）亦不怎麼會增進起來。

無論是小聚會或大聚會，一定要回到個人對個人的層面，參加者才有渠道深入了解基督和救恩。可是在籌辦大聚會時，在會議和宣傳等事上會用去了不少人力物力，個人對個人的福傳和跟進訓練通常都被忽略了，這是可惜的地方。要福音入心，就一定要有個人層面的跟進和福傳。

### 傳媒

《大眾傳播工具法令》教導我們：書刊、電影、無線電、電視等大眾傳播工具，可以妄用作違反天主聖意及人類本身利益的器具，但於傳揚天國亦大有裨益(21)。用傳媒福傳，好處是可以安坐家中使用它們，弱點則跟上述大聚會方式相近。

在台灣，天主教會已租用了電視台節目時間做福傳節目，美國則有更多頻度用於宗教節目上。香港的公教報、公教錄像等都是福傳的工具。在香港未來考驗傳媒的日子裡，它們的價值將會更高。某私家醫院把衛星電視系統接駁上錄像放映機，病人每天都可選台，免費欣賞宗教節目錄影帶。

公教刊物在包裝和市場學應用方面的弱點，在近期的「光啓」和「上智」出版的書籍中，已見大有改善。感謝天主。

電腦網絡（Internet）亦是一個很新穎的福傳媒介，聖安多尼堂區已經把宗教資料上網，方便電腦用者閱讀。將來如運用多媒體方法，視、聽、電影錄像齊播，將會更配合這個新世界。

**\* 請記下你對以上文章的任何感想或有任何信仰分享，投入我們設在聖堂反面的收集箱內。**

## 教友分享

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隨著時代變化與科學發展，人越來越缺少人情味，惰性也越來越嚴重。整天都對著電視、電腦，甚至連話都不多說，想到什麼就發個電郵，許多事情都靠電腦來解決。人與人之間缺乏溝通，探望、拜訪、寫信等等都變成一種很奢侈的事情。大家都以自我為中心，任意妄為，對周圍的人和事都漠不關心，這就是當今社會的普遍現象。但我們身為基督徒，應該以仁愛、關懷積極的態度來響應天主的召叫。就像瑪竇福音所說的芥子和酵母的比喻：「天國好像一粒芥子，人把它撒在自己的田裏。它固然是各樣種子裏最小的，但當它長起來，卻比各種蔬菜都大，竟成了樹，甚至天上的飛鳥飛來，在它的枝上棲息。」祂又給他們講了一個比喻：「天國好像酵母，女人取來藏在三斗麵裏，直到全部發了酵。」（瑪 13：31-33）。因此我們在日常的生活當中，不管在何處和任何時間，都應當好芥子和酵母的角色。

我曾經讀過一個小故事，就是一位名叫瑪利的教友，她寫信要求神父安排喬治先生擔任她日後葬禮的接待員，因為她已經在這間教堂參與了八年的彌撒，每次進堂總見到喬治先生帶著微笑地向她說早安和問好，歡迎她來到天主的聖殿。彌撒後當她離開聖堂時，喬治先生又會親切地對她說：「天主保佑你，祝你平安，再見！」她覺得很溫馨，就好像天主在問候她。她盼望在她人生旅途終結時，最後一次進教堂時，能再次聽到這把熟識的聲音，所以希望神父能完成她的心願。我猜想喬治先生可能從沒想到自己在彌撒中的服務態度竟帶給教友瑪利這麼大的感動和祝福。我也嘗試學做酵母，在主日彌撒中當唱天主經時，我會主動伸出雙手和在我兩旁的兄弟姊妹牽手，他們也會照樣地和他們身邊的兄弟姊妹牽手，就這樣高漲的氣氛下，我們同心一意地以歌聲讚美天主，達到忘我的境界，你們有沒有同感呢？那時我就是酵母，起帶頭的作用。每個基督徒都是酵母，我們是世界的光，地上的鹽，只要我們願意，酵母就是我們的別名。

芥子的意義與酵母類同，個人是全世界人口中最小的單位，就像芥子一樣。而我們和別人的關係就錯中複雜，好像芥菜樹一樣。今年是教友年，強調基督徒傳福音的使命，我們應該向我們的家人、鄰居、親戚朋友、同學、同事傳起，而他們也各自有他們的人際網絡，只要我們能成功引領一個，我們的福音便能傳到更遠的網絡去。我們只管播種，不用為成果擔心，聖神自會收割！耶穌說過有耳的就聽吧！主叫我們用心去理會，用行動去回應芥子和酵母的故事。願主保佑我們！

## **Holy Spirit and Evangelization (VIII)**

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### **Small Gathering**

Small gathering can include people from a few to several hundreds and the location can be the school, parish, cafeteria, prison...etc. Most of my experiences are the charismatic movement when we had six gatherings for the program of "Witness of Faith over a Meal". It's easy to invite people to come over to eat together. Every gathering is composed of worshiping, dinner, listening to the priest's teaching, two strong witnesses of faith, laying-of-the-hand praying and conversation over the meal. We also take care of the children to facilitate the parents' participation. It is very pleasant and moving, for we have Christ as the center of the gathering. My Godson's mother and relatives love to listen to the homily about the feast in the Kingdom of God, which could be the result from this type of gatherings.

Last year under the Holy Spirit there has been an evangelization group composed of young people and led by a young person. This group is called The Youth Evangelization Group. They held several outreaching activities, including games, praising and worshiping, youth witness of faith, silent plays and discussions under the guidance of the priest. There were also the parties called Heavens of the Holy Spirit.

Heavens of the Holy Spirit has the background of a big portrait of Jesus on the Cross which is the center of the worship, set off by many candle lights around. Young people use music to lead the praises and prayers. They also exercise the spiritual healing through group and individual laying-of-the-hand prayers to Jesus. In these parties the Holy Spirit moved young people: many had never been serious about faith until that moment when they experienced the existence of God and His love. Afterwards they'd love to go to confession and inquire who to pray.... One would not repent until he has encountered Christ. Therefore we don't need to wait to be perfectly changed before we could encounter Jesus.

Without music, praise, prayers, strong witness of faith and charismatic prayer service, gathering could be merely a faith gathering without a long-term impact. "My message and my proclamation were not with persuasive wisdom, but with a demonstration of spirit and power." (1Corinthians 2:4)

### **Large Gathering**

A large gathering of thousands will help boost the morale and project a positive image of the Church. It can also help build up the confidence of the participants towards the Church, preparing them to receive the Gospel. However, we shouldn't hold too high an expectation of the non-believer participants who constitute 1% to 3% of the total participants.

Although many of the non-believer participants have been exposed to evangelization, at the gathering most of them are sitting there, listening passively, without the direct communication with the organizer or the speaker. The person who has brought the non-believer to the gathering also pays attention to the speaker. In this case, the personal friendship, which is one of the most important factors in evangelization, doesn't have the opportunity to be developed.

In either small or large gathering we must pay attention to the person-to-person relationship so that the participant has the opportunity to have a deeper understanding of Christ and the salvation. However when preparing a large gathering, we tend to spend lots of energy and time on organization and promotion so that the person-to-person evangelization and the follow-up could be overlooked. It is very important to remember that evangelization and follow-up at a personal level is the key to deliver the Gospel to the people's heart.

## **Mass Media**

The Decree of Evangelization through Mass Media teaches us: mass media, such as publications, movies, radio and TV are helpful instruments for the evangelization of the Kingdom of God. Mass media is easy to apply, however it is weak in building up personal relationship, just like the large gathering is.

In Taiwan the Catholic Church has rented the TV time slots for evangelization programs while in America there are more programs about religion. In Hon Kong certain newspapers and video production companies are the instruments of evangelization. Private hospitals can connect to the satellite TV to provide the patients the opportunity to watch religious programs on a daily basis.

Internet is a new media for evangelization. St. Anthony parish has put the religious materials on the internet for the readers. In the new world of the 21st century, we need to adopt more types of mass media for evangelization to facilitate people to watch, listen and hear the Gospel.

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