

August 1, 2022

Dear Brother Cardinals, Archbishops and Bishops,

Pax et bonum!

We write to you Presidents of the FABC Member Conferences and Associate Members as we approach the Inauguration of the FABC 50 General Conference. We want to build awareness and interest for this historical event. We want to write to you about three items; 1. *Inauguration*; 2. *Prayer for FABC 50*. 3. *Song of Asia for FABC 50*.

First: Inauguration. As mentioned in the most recent Newsletter, we will inaugurate this General Conference on August 22. This Inauguration will take place at the Shrine of Blessed Nicholas Bunker Kitbamrung, in Bangkok. It will begin at noon Bangkok time. This will be a live online event and it will also be available after via social media. This will be available at fabc2020.org [50 Years of the FABC | FABC2020](#), on the YouTube and or Facebook of Thai Catholic Media - CSCT and LiCAS News. [\(2\) Thai Catholic Media - สื่อมวลชนคาทอลิกประเทศไทย | Facebook](#) or [Thai CatholicMedia -CSCT- - YouTube](#) and [\(2\) LiCAS.news | Facebook](#) and [LICAS•NEWS - YouTube](#).

We request that there be an announcement about the Inauguration with the media information of how to join or watch with the encouragement for people to view it live or after the event. Viewing it is in a sense a participation in it.

Second: Prayer for FABC 50. We are requesting that after the August 22 inauguration, that we ask all of our people here in Asia to enter into a period of prayer for this first ever General Conference. Prayer is an essential preparation. We are sending you a copy of the prepared *Prayer for FABC 50*. We send it early realizing you are busy, so that it can be translated into the needed languages. Please distribute it so that it can be used after August 22. This is attached. Please encourage prayer for FABC 50.

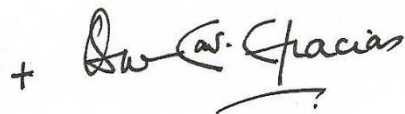
Third: Song of Asia. We are also sending you *The Song of Asia, Bless Our God Who Walks with Us* which was written for the FABC 50 General Conference. This will include the words, musical accompaniment, the vocal score. An original video and video also made for this and a minus one version. There are files that can be downloaded at https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1_E9i5tqfcHQUQBQt_Ixxr0LGzoJSCpup?usp=sharing. A translation of this might also be necessary. Please disseminate this also so people will be familiar with it and be able to use it after August 22. The minus 1 version can be used as the music while choirs can sing it. You can make your own videos of it with a translation as subtitles if you wish. This Song will be officially launched on August 22. Please use it as often as possible after August 22.

It is our hope that the prayer and the song will help create awareness and interest and a sense of participation in an Asia wide event. Please encourage the use of these.

Fraternally yours in Christ,



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