

REGISTRATION FORM

Name of Parent/ Catechist

Name of Church

Name/s of Child/Children.....

Male Female

Age/ages of children

Address.....

.....Post Code.....

Tel:..... Mobile.....

Email.....

Registration is on a "first come, first serve" basis.
There will be no refund upon cancellation.

Cost: RM 700 per person

[The fee is inclusive of lunch and teas; and course material]

- **Account Payee for cheques: Thong Soak Tai**
- **Fees may be banked in to Public Bank**
Account No : 3200721735.
- Please email a copy of the bank slip with your name written on it to **cgsteam.my@gmail.com**

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COURSE AIMS

To explore with participants the religious nature and religious needs of the 3 - 5 year child in relation to general development characteristics of the child.

To meditate on the Biblical and Liturgical themes of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd.

To offer guidelines and assistance to those setting up the atrium or learning environment for the 3 - 5 year old child; and how to prepare "album pages" and material making.

To experience being formed as adults by the Word of God and deepening the participants' ability to observe and learn from the children the joy of the Good News.

INSTRUCTORS

The Formation Programme will be conducted by Mary Hare from Brisbane, Australia and Jackie Lean and Peggy Goh from Kuala Lumpur.

Mary is a very experienced CGS Instructor. She was one of the first Australians to receive training in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) in the mid-nineties.

She was a teacher before she was called to this work as a catechist more than a decade ago. Now that she has retired she is running her own atrium in Brisbane and works as a National trainer in Australia, Singapore, and Uganda.

Jacqueline Lean and Peggy Goh are two of pioneers of CGS Malaysia, They have been CGS catechists for the past seven years and have assisted Mary Hare in the Level 1, Part 1 Formation .

An Invitation

to participate
in the

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd



LEVEL 1, PART 1 FORMATION

COURSE DATES:

4 Dec. - 9 Dec 2017
(9.00 a.m. - 5.30 p.m.)

VENUE:

Jesus Caritas Church
Jalan Burung Hantu,
Taman Kepong,
52100 Kuala Lumpur.

- The course will most definitely help you to develop your own personal relationship with God.
- It will prepare you to be a catechist, should you decide to be one.
- If you are a parent, it will also enable you to journey with your child, if your child is attending CGS.
- We can assure you that you will find the 5 1/2 day course very fruitful and enriching.

Level I, Part I is foundational to becoming attuned to the religious life of the child. The course covers age-appropriate themes for children from the Bible and Liturgy, an introduction to the Atrium, the purpose of the handmade materials, experience in presenting materials and help in preparing the catechist's "album pages".

The training is intensive and captivating. You are permitted to do voice recording during lectures and presentations. However, video taping is strictly prohibited.

We strongly recommend that you attend the entire course for maximum benefit.

The Australian CGS Association will present you with a Certificate of Attendance for participation and full attendance. This Certification is recognised internationally.

for more information about the Formation you can write to cgsteam.my@gmail.com

for more information about about CGS log into www.cgsusa.org or www.cgsaust.org.au

THE ATRIUM "The Sacred Space"

*the Atrium is the meeting place of two mysteries:
the mystery of God and the mystery of the child*



children "at work" in the Atrium in SFX

*"An interpersonal relationship is always a mystery;
it is more so when it involves a relationship with God;
when the relationship is between God and the child
the mystery is greater still,"*

Sofia Cavaletti, RPOC, p 30

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is a Montessori approach to Christian formation for children ages 3 - 12, in which they can experience and form an authentic and faithful relationship with God.

CGS was developed in Rome by Sofia Cavaletti, a Hebrew and Biblical Scholar, and Gianna Gobbi, a Montessori Educator, some 60 years ago. CGS uses Montessori teaching principles to present the most essential realities of the Catholic faith to very young children.

As a little child is too young to read the passages in the bible, he/she needs another way of faith formation. Children gather in an atrium with specially designed materials, and inspiring presentations help children explore areas of faith formation.

The catechist's role is to prepare the environment and to make presentations that evoke a response from the child, rather than "pour in" information as in traditional teaching methods.

In the Atrium children have the opportunity to respond in their own way to the material presented (which might be a parable, an explanation of the altar, or about a sacrament).

The program uses a hands-on approach, providing children a chance to work with three-dimensional maps, miniature environments and figures, art supplies, and practical activities like pouring and sorting, which help center the child for spiritual work.