

In this issue: Report by Eva Sido of the European young leaders conference in Romania, February 2011, organized by the European sub-committee of ICCRS (ESCI).

Walk by the Spirit

That was the title of the young leaders conference that ESCI and Keresztirany have organized near Cluj-Napoca, Romania on Feb.24-27. The conference held 117 participants from 8 countries: Austria, Germany, Gibraltar, Hungary, the Netherlands, Romania (both Romanian and Hungarian speaking parts), Spain, USA.

Practical teachings

We had some very practical, deep and enjoyable teachings by Charles Whitehead and Christof Hemberger on topics such as the history and purpose of the CCR, baptism in the Holy Spirit, charisms, discipleship, the life and responsibilities of a leader, how to evangelize.

Encounter with our God

As always the conference was not only about listening to teachings. We had a wonderful worship band that led us into a deep encounter with our God even from the very first time of worship on Thursday evening. By Saturday evening we could hardly stop praising the Lord. Most of the participants took decisions regarding their discipleship and faced some really tough questions about their lives as leaders. The Holy Spirit came very gently, encouraged and strengthened many in their calling as leaders, took many off their feet and many of the participants received the gift of tongues.

Build up stronger relationships

In the evenings we had times of fellowship where participants had the chance to get to know each-other, find out about each-others culture, experience, share their thoughts. We also talked with some of the leaders about the situation of the youth in the CCR in our countries, what each would need and/or share with others, how we could build up stronger relationships, help each-other. We did not get to a conclusion, but agreed on continuing this conversation in November 2011, in Heiligenbrunn, Germany.

We have the teachings posted - not the best quality, but understandable - on

<http://www.keresztirany.ro/taxonomy/term/93>. You can hear teachings (English + Hungarian) of **Charles Whitehead** on history of charismatic renewal, Catholic Charismatic Renewal, evangelisation, charisms and baptism in the Holy Spirit; **Christof Hemberger** on leadership-servantship, evangelisation, personal responsibility of a leader, the task of a leader, the life of a leader and leadership-calling; and fr. Tamas Barna in Holy Mass.

Pictures are here: <https://picasaweb.google.com/keresztirany/2011WalkByTheSpiritYouthConference?feat=email#>.

We had a wonderful time, with lots of snow and snow fights in a beautiful and peaceful place. It was good to have so many young people together.

On behalf of the organizing team,

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