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READY TO LIVE IN THE POWER AND LOVE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT?
BEGIN PRAYING, "COME, HOLY SPIRIT," WITH EXPECTANT FAITH.

WHAT IS BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT?

Baptism in the Holy Spirit is...

1. A life-transforming experience **of the Love of God the Father**
2. Poured into one's heart **by the Holy Spirit**
3. Received through a **surrender** to the **Lordship of Jesus Christ**.

WHAT ARE THE EFFECTS OF BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT?

Baptism in the Holy Spirit:

1. **Brings alive** the sacramental **baptism and confirmation**.
2. **Deepens communion** with God and fellow Christians.
3. **Enkindles** evangelistic fervor.
4. **Equips** a person with charisms for service and mission.

(According to the CHARIS/ICCRS Doctrinal Commission on Baptism in the Holy Spirit)

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WHAT HAVE THE POPES SAID ABOUT THE CHARISMS & BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT?

•1998 – Pope John Paul II:

"Today I would like to cry out to all of you gathered here in St. Peter's Square, and to all Christians. Open yourselves docily to the gifts of the Spirit. Accept gratefully and obediently the charisms which the Spirit never ceases to bestow on us. Do not forget that every charism is given for the common good, that is for the benefit of the whole Church."

2012 - Pope Benedict XVI:

"One cannot be a priest without being charismatic. It is a charism to be a priest."

2019 - Pope Francis:

"What does the Pope expect from you? I expect this movement:

- - to share baptism in the Holy Spirit with everyone in the Church. It is the grace you have received. Share it! Don't keep it to yourselves!
- - to serve the unity of the body of Christ, the Church, the community of believers in Jesus Christ. This is very important, for the Holy Spirit relates unity in the Church, but also diversity. The personality of the Holy Spirit is interesting: with the charisms he creates the greatest diversity, but then he harmonizes the charisms in unity. Saint Basil says that "the Holy Spirit is harmony"; he creates harmony: harmony in the Spirit and harmony among us.
- - and to serve the poor and those in greatest need, physical or spiritual."

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WHAT HAVE THE US BISHOPS SAID ABOUT **BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT?**

In March 1997 the Administrative Committee of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops approved the publication of "Grace for the New Springtime" as a statement of the Ad Hoc Committee for Catholic Charismatic Renewal. The quote below is an excerpt of this statement.

In the Sacraments of Initiation we experience the action of the Triune God. As regards the Third Person of the Trinity, in Baptism we become temples of the Holy Spirit; in Eucharist we share in the Body and Blood of Jesus through the power of the Holy Spirit; in Confirmation we are empowered with the gifts and charisms of the Spirit to be witnesses for Jesus Christ.

In this statement, we want not only to affirm the good fruit of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal but also the grace which is at the heart of this Renewal, namely, baptism in the Holy Spirit, or the fuller release of the Holy Spirit, as some would prefer.

As experienced in the Catholic Charismatic Renewal, baptism in the Holy Spirit:

1. Makes Jesus Christ known and loved as Lord and Savior,
2. Establishes or reestablishes an immediacy of relationship with all those persons of the Trinity and through inner transformation affects the whole of the Christian's life,
3. There is new life and a new conscious awareness of God's power and presence.

It is a grace experience which touches every dimension of the Church's life: worship, preaching, teaching, ministry, evangelism, prayer and spirituality, service and community. Because of this, **it is our conviction that baptism in the Holy Spirit,** understood as the reawakening in Christian experience of the presence and action of the Holy Spirit given in Christian initiation, and manifested in a broad range of charisms, including those closely associated with the Catholic Charismatic Renewal, **is part of the normal Christian life.**

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WHAT GRACES OF SACRAMENTAL BAPTISM ARE STIRRED UP THROUGH BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT?

These **GRACES OF BAPTISM** are stirred up through **baptism in the Holy Spirit**:

- **1262** The different **effects of Baptism** are signified by the perceptible elements of the sacramental rite. Immersion in water symbolizes not only death and purification, but also regeneration and renewal. Thus, the two principal effects are purification from sins and new birth in the Holy Spirit.

For the forgiveness of sins . . .

- **1263** By Baptism all sins are forgiven, original sin and all personal sins, as well as all punishment for sin.⁶⁶ In those who have been reborn nothing remains that would impede their entry into the Kingdom of God, neither Adam's sin, nor personal sin, nor the consequences of sin, the gravest of which is separation from God.
- **1264** Yet certain temporal consequences of sin remain in the baptized, such as suffering, illness, death, and such frailties inherent in life as weaknesses of character,

"A new creature"

- **1265** Baptism not only:
 - 1) purifies from all sins, but also
 - 2) makes the neophyte "a new creature,"
 - 3) an adopted son of God, who has become a "partaker of the divine nature,"
 - 4) member of Christ and co-heir with him, and
 - 5) a temple of the Holy Spirit.
- **1266** The Most Holy Trinity gives the baptized sanctifying grace, the grace of justification:
 - enabling them to **believe** in God, to **hope** in him, and to **love** him through the theological virtues;
 - giving them the **power** to live and act under the prompting of the Holy Spirit through the gifts of the Holy Spirit;
 - allowing them to **grow** in goodness through the moral virtues.

Thus, the whole organism of the Christian's supernatural life has its roots in Baptism.

(Excerpts from the Catechism of the Catholic Church)



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HOLY SPIRIT 2033

READY FOR THE 2000-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF PENTECOST?
JOIN THE NINE-YEAR NOVENA.

Our Mission

.Our mission is to raise up, connect, and equip Renewal Leaders to **BRING** baptism in the Holy Spirit to the whole Church, **BUILD** unity in the Body of Christ, **SERVE** the Poor.

Renewal in the USA

Renewal Leaders currently bringing baptism in the Holy Spirit to the whole Church.

2000+
Prayer Groups

92+
Renewal Offices & Centers

97+
Covenant Communities

16+
Religious Orders

160+
Renewal Ministries

The Need

In the world, it is estimated that ~17% of **Roman Catholic Christians** (~160 million) and ~25% of **all Christians** (~600 million) have received the grace of baptism in the Holy Spirit. In the United States, just over 6 of 10 people identify as Christian. Imagine each one living and sharing LIFE in the SPIRIT. *Come, Holy Spirit!*

THE PRAYER

Pray, "**Come, Holy Spirit,**" at **9:00 AM each morning** and pray the **Sunday Novena Prayers** weekly.

HOLY SPIRIT 2033 NOVENA



The **Holy Spirit 2033: Nine Year Novena** begins at Pentecost 2024, and is a call to pray and action in unity in preparation for the 2000-year anniversary of Pentecost through:



National

Intercession, Fellowship, & Working Groups



Regional Prayer

Meetings, Formation, & Discussion Forums



Local Prayer

Meetings, Life in the Spirit Series, & Jericho Marches

JOIN THE NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT 9 YEARS OF PRAYER & [ACTION]

1

[In the Renewal] Receive the Love of the Father

- 2024 - Prayer Groups & Renewal Offices
- 2025 - Covenant Communities
- 2026 - Ministries born out of the Renewal

2

[In the Church] Surrender to Jesus as Lord & Savior

- 2027 - Pastors & Leaders (Clergy, Religious, & Seminarians)
- 2028 - Regions (Arch/Dioceses) & Prayer Networks
- 2029 - Local (Parishes + Churches)

3

[In the World] Receive the Holy Spirit & Charisms

- 2030 - Families, Children, Youth, and Young Adults
- 2031 - Neighborhoods, Workplaces, Schools, & Universities
- 2032 - Cultural (Media), Social, Political Spheres

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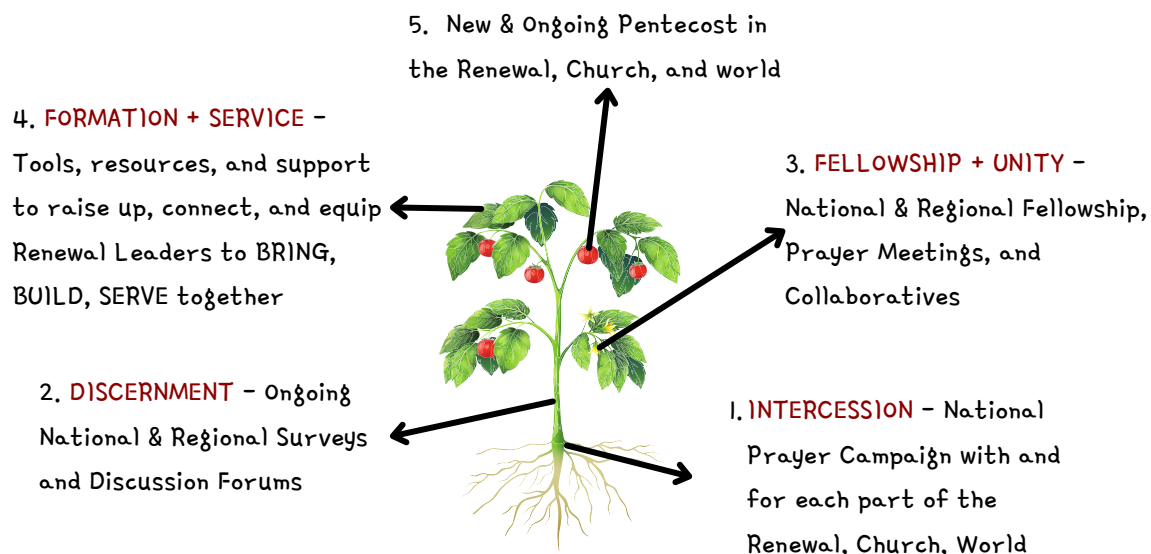
Glory to God in the highest for our expansive mission to BRING baptism in the Holy Spirit to the whole Church, BUILD unity in the Body of Christ, and SERVE the physically and spiritually poor - ultimately, our mission is the work of the Holy Spirit as we surrender, receive, and respond in trust and obedience.

On behalf of the 70+ bishops, priests, deacons, religious, and lay faithful from across the nation who serve the Lord as Board Members, Council Members, and Pastoral and Theological Consultants of the NSC/Pentecost Today USA and in partnership with The Association of Diocesan Liaisons, I am humbled to share with you an invitation to join us in Holy Spirit 2033, a nine-year novena. **Will you join us in the prayer and work of renewing the grace of Pentecost in the life and mission of the Church as we seek and serve the Lord together through Holy Spirit 2033?**

Launching with a live-streamed Pentecost Vigil on May 18, 2024, Holy Spirit 2033 is an invitation to the prayer and action of a nine-year novena... a time of crying out to the Lord for a new & ongoing Pentecost in the Renewal, in the Church, and in the world. In the following pages you will see an overview and a snapshot of each of the three-year phases. Below is an image which conveys how the novena brings the entirety of our mission and work into a posture of prayer - which will be fueled by intercession, fellowship, formation, and holy collaboration. Learn more at www.PentecostTodayUSA.org/HS2033.

"...‘Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,’ says the Lord of hosts." -Zechariah 4:6

-In the unending Love of our Heavenly Father, Alicia Hartle, Executive Director
National Service Committee of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal of the U.S. / Pentecost Today USA



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The nine-year novena will be a time of prayer and action in taking hold of a **new and ongoing Pentecost** in the Renewal, in the Church, and in the World informed by vision and ideas shared in the **National Renewal Survey** (below) and the **National Leaders Survey** and **Regional Discussion Forums** (see 2023 Issue 1) of THE JOSHUA PROJECT.

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PHASE 01: BRAINSTORM

This chart captures a very broad overview of the top 10 categories of responses to the National Renewal Survey, which is a fruit of The Joshua Project. Responses were received in 2021 and 2022 from clergy, religious, and lay persons from across the nation and around the world.

Survey responses reflected in this chart are from those who have been active in the Renewal for:

- 40% - More than 40 years
- 40% - 10-40 years
- 20% - Less than 10 years

Survey participants reported that they are active in various ministries of the Church and serve in different realities of the Renewal, including members of Prayer Groups, Renewal Centers, Covenant Communities, and Ministries.

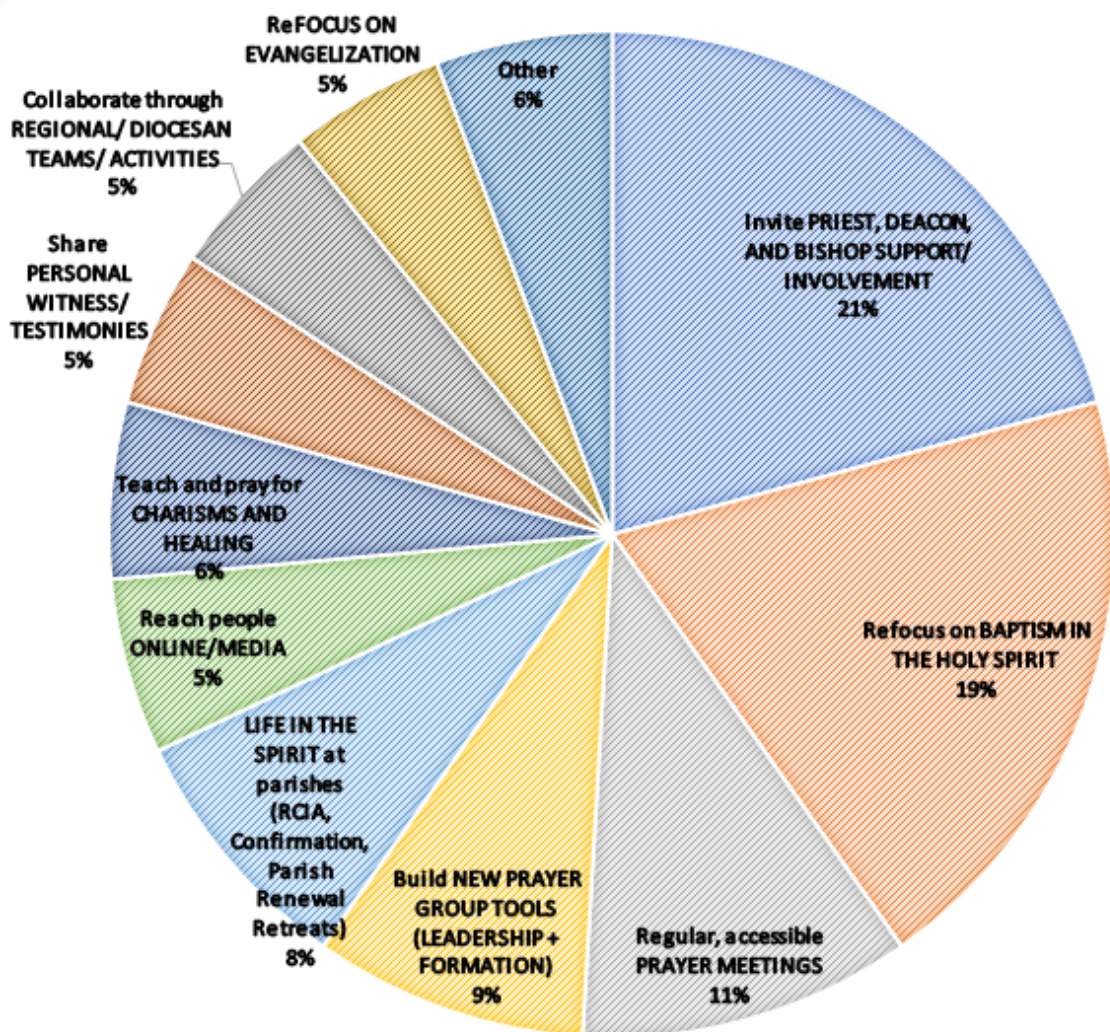
Each tool and resource of Holy Spirit 2033 will be discerned and developed in light of the wisdom and prayerful ideas shared in 1) individual survey responses 2) overall survey results as well as 3) feedback from ongoing discussion forums.

Visit PentecostTodayUSA.org to see further survey results and to prayerfully share your own ideas via the National Renewal Survey.

NATIONAL RENEWAL SURVEY

National Renewal Survey - Top 10 Responses

How is the Holy Spirit inviting us to BRING baptism in the Holy Spirit to the whole Church?
(% of all survey response answers)



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"HAVE I NOT COMMANDED YOU? BE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS. DO NOT BE AFRAID, DO NOT BE DISCOURAGED; FOR THE LORD YOUR GOD WILL BE WITH YOU WHEREVER YOU GO." -JOSHUA 1:9

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NATIONAL LEADERS SURVEY

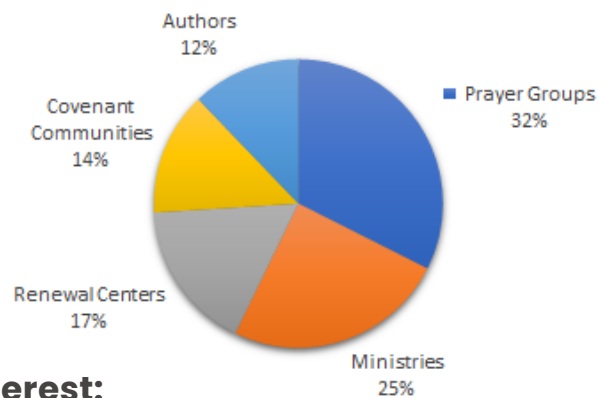
Each tool, resource, and pilot of THE JOSHUA PROJECT is being discerned and developed in light of the vision, wisdom, prayer, and ideas shared via:

- 1) Overall survey results
- 2) Individual survey responses
- 3) Discussion forums

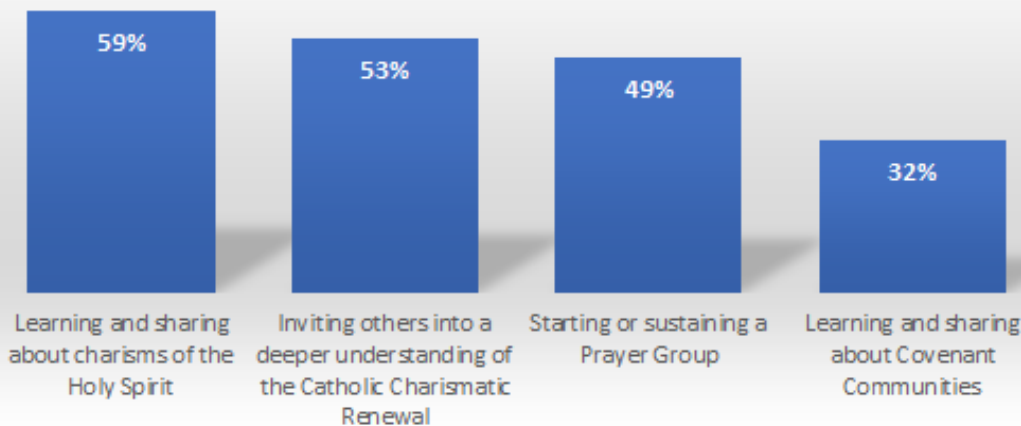
All 777 Renewal Leaders who registered for the 2021 National Leaders Meeting were invited to complete a survey in preparation for THE JOSHUA PROJECT Discussion Forums.

Exactly 695 Renewal Leaders responded, and here are highlights of their Renewal involvement and survey responses.

Renewal Involvement:



Areas of Greatest Need & Interest:



NATIONAL DISCUSSION FORUMS

Over 150 Renewal Leaders from across the nation participated in online discussion forums led by Board and Council Members of Pentecost Today USA at the first National Discussion Forums of THE JOSHUA PROJECT in December of 2021.

Each discussion forum focused on needs and opportunities to BRING. BUILD. SERVE. together and to reach and raise up younger generations in 1) different realities of the Renewal and 2) different parts of the Church.



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NATIONAL LEADERS SURVEY RESPONSE

After THE JOSHUA PROJECT launched with an army of FIRE STARTERS' sacrificial support and prayer, the Lord opened doors for us to initially respond to the 2021 National Leaders Survey with 1) adding charismatic gift teaching, witness, and saint feature pages to the upcoming issues of our magazine, 2) launching weekly quotes from the ICCRS/CHARIS Doctrinal Commission on Baptism in the Holy Spirit to our social media posts (#TheologyThursday) 3) launching a test phase of a Phone App that will feature tools and resources to start and sustain a Prayer Group and connect with local Prayer Groups, Renewal Centers, Ministries, and Covenant Communities.

NATIONAL DISCUSSION FORUM RESPONSE

Soon after the December 2021 Discussion Forums, many participants shared a desire for further discussion, prayer, and collaboration – some with great needs for help and others with a deep desire to share ideas and tools. This led to the launch of Ongoing Regional Discussion Forums in 2022 and Collaboratives in 2023. THE JOSHUA PROJECT continues to expand through Holy Spirit 2033 with:

- 1) Tools, resources, and pilots including Renewal Fellows Program, Phone App, & More [BRING]
- 2) Ongoing Regional Discussion Forums [BUILD]
- 3) Collaboratives Serving Specific Needs [SERVE]

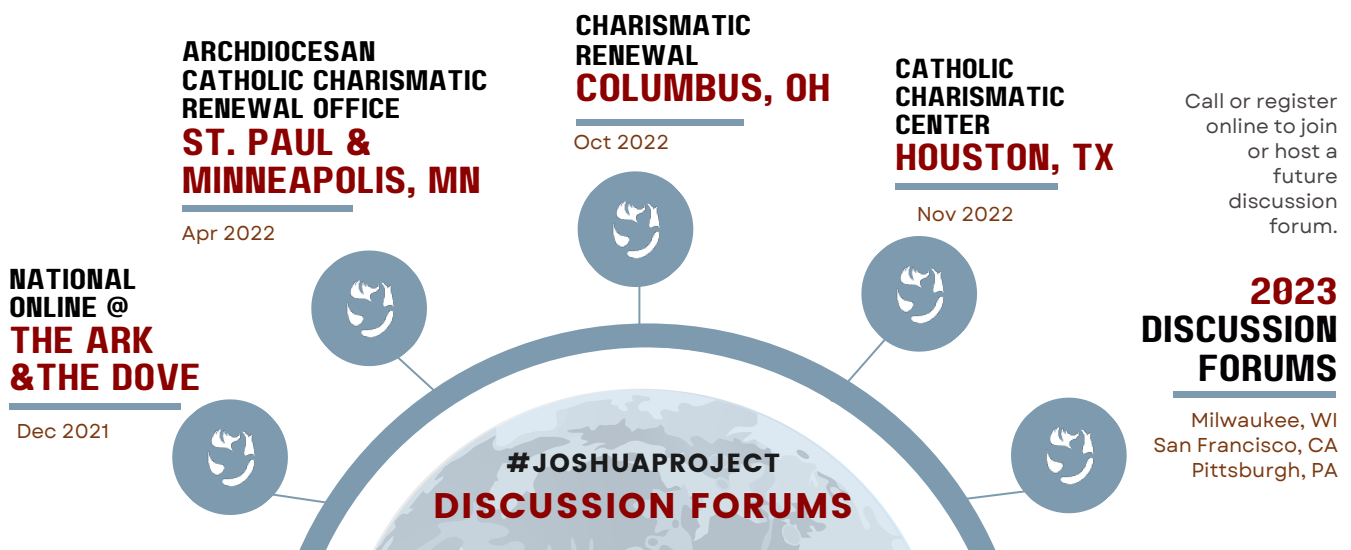
ONGOING REGIONAL DISCUSSION FORUMS

In 2022, the Regional Discussion Forums of THE JOSHUA PROJECT launched in partnership with Renewal Centers hosting small, informal prayer-filled gatherings.

Renewal Leaders and Church Leaders including clergy, religious, seminarians, and lay persons met, shared, and prayed together in an extraordinary prophetic act of unity – some meeting for the first time ever and some coming together for the first time in decades.

In addition to the wisdom, ideas, and needs shared at each of the ongoing Regional Discussion Forums, major graces of these small in-person discussion forums have included:

- 1) Spontaneous prayer ministry and fellowship among participants.
- 2) Prophetic words received for cities remembered and proclaimed.
- 3) Spontaneous intercession for bishops, dioceses, and regions.
- 4) Powerful testimonies shared proclaiming the work of the Holy Spirit in different realities of the Renewal and parts of the Church.



A glimpse at how baptism in the Holy Spirit and the mission of Pentecost Today USA (the NSC) fit into the history of the Church:

1st and 2nd Centuries

Pentecost & Early Church

Baptism in the Holy Spirit and the charisms are taught and experienced in Christian initiation in Scripture and the Early Church when adult baptism was common.

3rd and 4th Centuries

Rise of Christendom & Rise of Infant Baptism

With rise of infant baptism, the teaching and exercise of the charisms diminishes.

"Then Moses said, 'Now show me your glory.'

And the Lord said, "I will cause all my **goodness** to pass in front of you, and I will **proclaim my name, the Lord**, in your presence. I will have **mercy** on whom I will have mercy, and I will have **compassion** on whom I will have compassion." **Ex 33:18-19**

18th and 19th Centuries

Fall of Christendom

In the midst of division and difficulties in the Church in 1895, Blessed Elena Guerra begins writing a series of letters to Pope Leo XIII asking him to pray for unity among Christians and for a **new and ongoing Pentecost**.

January 1, 1901

Pope Leo XIII Prays - Birth of New & Ongoing Pentecost

Within 24 hours of Pope Leo XIII consecrating the 20th Century to the Holy Spirit and praying "Veni Creator Spiritus" on behalf of the Church, the Pentecostal Movement is born in Topeka Kansas - reigniting widespread teaching and exercise of the charisms and bringing baptism in the Holy Spirit to over 600 million.

Pope John XXIII inaugurated the Second Vatican Council with a prayer to the Holy Spirit, "Renew your wonders in our day as by a new Pentecost."

Pope John XXIII Prays

December 25, 1961

"Then the Lord said, "There is a place near me where you may stand on a rock." **Ex 33:21**

February 17-19, 1967

Birth of Catholic Charismatic Renewal

Pope John XXIII inaugurated the Second Vatican Council with a prayer to the Holy Spirit, "Renew your wonders in our day as by a new Pentecost." Charismatic Renewal comes into the Catholic Church through an outpouring of the Holy Spirit at The Ark and The Dove in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania - bringing baptism in the Holy Spirit to over 160 million people.

February 1971

NSC Established

Founding members, including clergy, religious, and laity form first service organization in Catholic Charismatic Renewal: National Service Committee (NSC).

June 9, 2019

CHARIS Launch - Renewal enters hierarchical Church structure

ICCRS and the Catholic Fraternity merge into a unified service organization called CHARIS in order to serve all expressions of the Renewal from within the structure of the Church under the Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life with public juridical personality under Canon Law.

"When my glory passes by, I will put you **in a cleft in the rock** and cover you with my hand until I have passed by." **Ex 33:22**

December 2020

NSC Launches New Name and Mission:

BRING baptism in the Holy Spirit to the whole Church, **BUILD** unity in the Body of Christ, **SERVE** the poor.

Pentecost Today USA was instrumental in the formation of CHARIS National Service of Communion in the USA.



Sources:
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