

Report from Japan

For EAO Congress in Hong Kong (2023)

Number of Local Centers	11
Number of Provincial Councilors	6
SDB Delegate	(~2020) Fr. Achille Loro Piana (2020~) Fr. Nobuyuki Tamura
FMA Delegate	Sr. Sumie Kenjo
Number of Members	150

■ For the Young Project

After the previous Congress in Tokyo, every center willingly started its own activities for the youth. At the same time, the number of Vietnamese young people working in Japan was increased, and therefore, the necessity of care for those Vietnamese youth was increased. Japanese Language Class especially for Vietnamese youth was started in two parishes in Tokyo, and it went very well; however, unfortunately, because of the COVID-19 pandemic, it had to be changed into online class. It is still continued through trial and error.

Some SDB Fathers and Brothers organize various activities for Vietnamese youth including mass in Vietnamese, recreation, etc., and some ASC members support these activities.

■ Formation Workshop in Cambodia in 2019

Life-long formation as well as formation in initial stage is very important; however, it is neglected sometime.

In general, Japan always has to face the language barrier, and has to spend a lot of time for translation, and so does "Guidelines and Indications for the Formation of the Salesian Cooperators." Owing to the enthusiastic voluntary work of some ASC members as well as delegates, finally we got its Japanese version, and now it is used widely in all centers in Japan.

- Visit

We had the honor of visit of some important persons.

October 2017	Fr. Pascual Chávez, Rector Major Emeritus ~Spent Salesian Family Day together.
November 2018	Fr. Ángel Fernández Artime, Rector Major ~Spent Salesian Family Day together.

- Virtual Pilgrim

From March to May 2022, many members of ASC participated in “Walking with you, Main,” a virtual pilgrim of FMA on the occasion of its 150th anniversary. Some members supported the program as staff members or translators.

- Photos

