

USA SUPER REGION TEAMS OF OUR LADY



August 29, 2018

Dear Teams of Our Lady Family:

We want to THANK YOU for your generosity in contributing this past year to the Teams Movement in the United States. The number of couples contributing increased from less than 20% to 29%.

As you know, the Teams of Our Lady Charter sets out the responsibilities for each couple and specifically identifies the need "to give annually, by way of subscription the equivalent of one day's pay." Our annual expenses typically include website, printing materials, postage, translations, and primarily leadership training and travel. Another primary expense is the tithe assessed to each country by the international body (ERI) based on GNP and membership, to support the International movement around the world.

This year we are starting leadership meetings and trainings where all the Provinces (4) will meet with their Team (Regional Couples) and all their College (Sector Couples) and this process, so needed in the USA, will increase the costs for Teams. This process is in place at the ERI level and in the Super Regions worldwide.

Teams are accepting contributions in three different ways: 1) Through the Teams' website, www.teamsofourlady.org/contributions which allows you to do one yearly contribution or to contribute monthly; 2) through Bill Pay; 3) Placing your contribution in an envelope and giving it to your RC/Sector Couple.

This year again, to propel our participation closer to 100 percent, Sector Couples will manage the annual contribution process. As part of these efforts, during a fall meeting your Responsible Couple will provide you with an envelope for your contribution. The sealed contributions will then be sent to the Sector Couple who will track, not the amount contributed, but rather the name of the couple participating (only the SR Responsible Couple and Secretariat will see your contribution). We emphasize here the importance of submitting an envelope even if your contribution is less than the recommended amount or if you give online or by Bill Pay. Note that cash contributions are not recommended or paying by one team check. Remember to note on your check or bill pay your Region, Sector, and Team number.

The mailing address is: **Teams of Our Lady, P.O. Box 1485, Turlock, CA 95381-1485.**

Please know that you and your teams are always in our prayers and Team members, both living and deceased, are remembered in a weekly Mass offered by the SR Spiritual Counselor. Father Caffarel shared with us that "everything withers when prayer is missing." Your continued support will help the USA Super Region grow and continue the mission of Teams.



We remain in service to Christ through Mary,

Jorge & Noélia Sousa
US Super Region Responsible Couple

Steve & Glynis Sturm
Finance Couple