Loving greetings from the Chapter Hall at Nagpur,

We could feel the vibrations of your prayers and good wishes, thank you for being with us in spirit.

You must be eager to know what has happened over the last two days. Here is a short recap of the events of 16\textsuperscript{th} and 17\textsuperscript{th}.

On the 16\textsuperscript{th} evening, we started with a beautifully prepared opening prayer by Sr. Julia and Seema, which was followed by the orientation to the Chapter by Sr. Sabina. The tellers were elected and the agenda voted.

On the 17th morning, we started at 7 am with the Eucharistic celebration. The opening ritual began at 9 am at the Chapel. The Chapter Preparation committee led us into a meaningful opening prayer, seeking the blessings and intersession of St. John Eudes and St. Mary Euphrasia. The Chapter symbol which is made out of wood had six components. It was blessed by Sr. Sabina while Bro. Philip Pinto CFC the facilitator of the Chapter prayed over them. The delegates went in a meditative procession to the Chapter Hall where the symbol was assembled by different representatives of the society. The presence of the Holy Spirit was invoked by an invocation dance by 4 of our candidates. The hall was alive with a penetrating silence and we felt a tangible presence of the Spirit of God.
It was a grand opening of the Chapter by Sr. Sabina with words of welcome, followed by a message from Sr. Ellen Kelly, duly delivered by Srs. Josita and Francis. It was a pleasant and enriching moment for all of us when all the three lay mission partners shared their experience of being part of the Good Shepherd family and their vision for the future of CEIN in a creative way.

The Province report was presented in a reflective and creative manner by Srs. Sabina and Mariam. It will continue over the next two days interspersing with group sharing, prompted and challenged with questions by Bro. Philip Pinto CFC. This was a heart-stirring experience for the assembly. We hope that these inspirations will help us in formulating the Province Direction Statement.

At the end of the day, we had an echo by the listeners group which is a new feature in our Chapter setup. They energised us with their creative and amusing presentation.

We look forward to your prayers and support as we continue our Chapter journey.

**Communication Committee**

Srs. Rosily & Julia