

# **History of The Flame of Love Movement**

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Message given by Jesus to Elizabeth Kindelmann

**“I must tell you, My daughter, that My Mother will not have been as venerated ever since the Word became Flesh, as she will be once she spreads the effect of grace of her Flame of Love in hearts and souls. The day her Flame of Love prevails, all the prayers and supplications addressed to her anywhere in the world will be joined in one single supplication for help. In this way, humanity will prostrate at the feet of the Mother of God to give her thanks for her unlimited maternal love.”**

August 4, 1963

## INTRODUCTION

This document presents the history of the Flame of Love Movement on the American continent, parts of Africa, Hungary and other countries in the world. This document will be updated and reprinted as we receive additional information.

If you wish to read the messages given to Elizabeth Kindelmann by Our Lord Jesus and the Blessed Virgin Mary, we draw your attention to the Spiritual Diary kept by Elizabeth Kindelmann at the request of the Lord.

You can also read excerpts of the Spiritual Diary in a 96-page booklet and a 32-page booklet. If you want to spread the message around you, these two booklets are available to you from the Flame of Love Movement in Canada.

We hope that this document will give you a clear idea of the presence of the Movement in the world, because the Virgin Mary promises that the Flame will spread like wildfire, in her message of May 4, 1962: **"... everything must be prepared in such a way that it spreads like wildfire. Let those souls whom I have chosen do everything to prepare for the great mission ahead."**

# HISTORY OF THE FLAME OF LOVE MOVEMENT

## The year 1000

- Saint Stephen was crowned king of Hungary.

## 1038

- Before dying, Saint Stephen entrusted the kingdom of Hungary to the Virgin Mary. It was the first country in the world to be consecrated to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

## 1914 - 1918

- Hungary was very hard-hit after the First World War by losing two thirds of its territory.

## 1939 - 1945

- During the Second World War it was invaded and occupied by Germany. After the war, the Soviet Union occupied Hungary until 1990. Although Communism was established throughout the country, Hungary never lost the faith.



## 1948

- In Hungary, under the communist regime, a young religious, Gabriel Róna, left his homeland to complete his theological studies in Spain. Ordained priest, he will be a missionary for 30 years in Ecuador.

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## 1960



•On **13th July**, three days before the feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Elizabeth Kindelmann had a marvelous spiritual enlightenment that lasted three days and was a silent introduction to the presence of the Lord. Until 1981, Elizabeth then received many messages from Our Lord Jesus and the Blessed

Virgin Mary.

- Father Marcel was her first spiritual director in those early days when she went to pray at the Carmelite Church in Budapest, Hungary.



- Saint Michael's Church in Erd, Hungary, became a popular place for pilgrims who later came to pray with Elizabeth. They came from several countries around Hungary (Germany, Slovakia, Romania, Serbia, Austria...). **In 2011**, Sister Ildikó Szöllősi shared with us some of what she lived in this church that she used to attend during the nights of prayer. We have made this information available on a DVD so that you can know the places where Elizabeth went to pray.

## 1962

- **August 31** – The Blessed Virgin said the following words: Virgin Mary - "**My Flame of Love must be carried across to the other side of the ocean!**"

Elizabeth - I do not know how I will fulfill this because the Blessed Virgin did not explain. She just asked me to be cautious.

**Editor's Note:** The spark has skipped over to America; it first arrived to Ecuador and next to Mexico and to the entire South America. This same spark continued its journey towards the north up to Canada, and from that country towards the United States and many others, including Africa and Asia.

**1970**

**Elizabeth Kindelmann  
and the Chapel of the Holy Family.**

- **During the 1970s**, Elizabeth Kindelmann founded and directed the first prayer group of the Flame of Love in the shrine of the Holy Family, in Budapest (25 Székely Bertalan Street, Budapest 1065).



We therefore consider this place as the "cradle" of our Movement, where a small group of believers formed a spiritual community in response to the calls received in their hearts from the Virgin Mary and the Lord Jesus.

**In September 2012**, Cardinal Péter Erdő granted permission to members of the Flame of Love Movement to use the Chapel of the Holy Family for prayer.

Once the renovations were completed, the chapel was blessed on **June 18, 2013**, during Holy Mass.

**1978**

- The knowledge of the Flame of Love in Brazil comes from the publication of the first edition of the Spiritual Diary in Hungary. The translation was made directly from Hungarian to Brazilian Portuguese.

**1979**



- A Hungarian religious, Sister Anna Roth, who knew Elizabeth Kindelmann well, introduced the messages in Germany. A small booklet of the messages was sent also to Editions du Parvis in Switzerland who printed two booklets in French of 32 and 60 pages.

- The little book of the Flame of Love arrived in Canada by a lady who brought it back from Europe. Father Guy Marie Menard, a Jesuit, read about it and printed several thousand copies which he made available at the Church of the Gesù in Montreal, where his office was established. Father Menard gave courses of consecration to Mary. He died in 1995.

## 1980

- The first translation of the message of the Flame of Love was made into German by Sister Anna Roth and it was distributed in Germany.
- Father Gabriel Róna sent a letter to Ana Maria Trujillo de Moreno in Mexico informing her that the message of the Flame of Love has been translated into several languages. The messages traveled to China, translated by a missionary from Taiwan. They were then translated into a dialect of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (former Zaire) by a missionary of the Divine Word. But before that they had already been translated into German, Portuguese, French, Italian, English, Dutch and Spanish.

## 1982

- **October 20** A small 16-page leaflet was printed in Spanish in Quito, Ecuador, translated from the Hungarian original.

## 1983

- Father Gabriel Róna translated the Spiritual Diary from Hungarian to Spanish between 1983 and 1989.
- Anna Maria Trujillo de Moreno received a 16-page leaflet of the Flame of Love in Spanish, published in Spain.
- Hortensia E. de Luconi from Costa Rica discovered the Flame of Love devotion during a visit from a friend of the United States who had a 14-page leaflet.

- 92,000 Copies of a 14-page Spanish Flame of Love booklet were printed in Spain.
- Approval to print the Spanish translation of a Flame of Love leaflet is given by Mgr. Gabriel Dias Cueva, Auxiliary Bishop and Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Quito, Ecuador. The printing took place on May 26, 1983.

### **Mexico's first National Director**

- Ana Maria Trujillo de Moreno was the first National Director of the Movement for Mexico. She received the first booklet in Spanish of this Heavenly message, in a providential way in 1983 from Zaragoza, Spain. That same year, she made contact with Father Gabriel Róna, S.J., who translated the Spiritual Diary from Hungarian to Spanish. Originally from Hungary, he lived in Ecuador at that time.

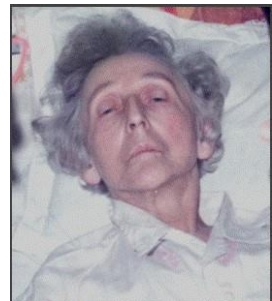


### **1984**

- **It was in September** that the first Cenacle of the Flame of Love was formed in Mexico.  
56,000 Copies of a 14-page Spanish Flame of Love booklet were printed in Spain. One thousand copies were sent to Ecuador and another thousand to Mexico.

### **1985**

- **April 11** – Elizabeth Kindelmann died after a long illness. She was buried in Erd / Ofalu, about twenty-four kilometers southwest of Budapest, on the banks of the Danube.





- The complete Spiritual Diary of the Flame of Love was published in Hungarian in Germany.
- **Towards the end of the year**, Father Gabriel Róna received in a providential manner the complete text of the Hungarian original Spiritual Diary.



- Thanks to a leaflet from Spain, Acapulco and Hermosillo in Mexico were the first Archdioceses where the Flame of Love was accepted by their Bishops.
- It is also in Mexico that the national conferences of the Flame of Love Movement began.

## 1986

- **April 7** – Father Gabriel Róna began to send the pages he had translated from Hungarian to Spanish to Anna Maria Trujillo de Moreno — some 27 pages in each mailing. Anna Maria Trujillo de Moreno then took them to Archbishop Rafael Bello Ruiz, Archbishop of Acapulco, who expressed his appreciation.
- **January 27** – Father Gabriel Róna felt the need to translate the complete Spiritual Diary of Elizabeth Kindelmann into Spanish.
- In Colombia, the Flame of Love reached Santa Fe de Bogotá at the same time when Pope John Paul II was visiting the city. On this occasion a lady gave Beatriz de Tavera a small booklet of the Flame of Love. Later, Beatriz de Tavera became the National Director of Colombia.

## 1987

- **August 15** – Father Gabriel Róna received the permission of Mgr. Gabriel Dias Cueva, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Guayaquil, to print the pamphlet entitled "Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary" translated from Hungarian to Spanish. It was on the feast of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary.
- In a letter dated **July 28**, Archbishop Rafael Bello Ruiz approved the messages of the Flame of Love contained in the Spiritual Diary that was being translated at that time.
- In Puerto Rico, USA, the Flame of Love was already very well-known because the booklet could be found in bookstores and many people practiced this devotion. Ms. Elba Colon recommended it to everyone she knew. She had received messages from the Spiritual Diary through a friend in Spain.
- In Mexico, the Flame of Love Movement received the support of the bishops and archbishops of Acapulco, Celaya, Tuxila, Mexico City, Hermosillo and Durango.

## 1988

- **Towards the middle of the year** the first meetings of the Flame of Love began in Guayaquil, Ecuador, with Father Gabriel Róna and 6 people very faithful to the Virgin Mary.

## 1989

- **June 15th** In Guayaquil, Ecuador, bishops gave their blessing to the Flame of Love Movement.

After having read the manuscript of the Spiritual Diary of the Flame of Love, Mgr. Bernardino Echeverria Ruiz, Archbishop of Guayaquil, Ecuador, granted his permission to print it.



- Father Róna returned to Hungary with the permission of his superiors.
- **June 7<sup>th</sup>** – The translation of the Spiritual Diary from Hungarian to Spanish was completed. It was printed in two copies, one for Mexico and the other for Ecuador. Thus, the heavenly message began to spread throughout South America.

## 1990

- **January 18<sup>th</sup>** – The first national conference of the Flame of Love Movement was held in Quito, Ecuador.

## 1991

- A first English edition of a 136-page book entitled **The Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary** was printed in Orangevale, California. A second edition was printed in 1998.

## 1992

- **January 8** – In a letter to Ana Maria Trujillo de Moreno, Mgr. Carlos Quintero Arce, Archbishop of Hermosillo, Mexico, expressed his wish that the heavenly message of the Flame of Love be spread throughout the Church.
- **July 17<sup>th</sup>** – Mrs. Elba Colon with a friend had a wonderful interior experience with the Flame of Love. This friend currently lives in Pennsylvania in the United States where she formed a Flame of Love prayer cenacle.

## 1993

- Anna Maria Trujillo de Moreno sent images of the Flame of Love to the United States to be used for family visitations. Peggy, Esther Clare and Guadalupe Shun began the apostolate of the Flame of Love by forming prayer cenacles in the families, using the rosary and a small sheet of the Flame of Love messages.

- **May 1<sup>st</sup>** – The Archbishop of Acapulco gave a very special blessing to a novena leaflet during a first Flame of Love retreat for all of Mexico.

## 1994


- **April 16<sup>th</sup>** – Following the invitation of Archbishop Carlos Quintero Arce to form a first Cenacle of Prayer, the Flame of Love became known in Hermosillo, Mexico. More cenacles were formed in several cities of the Archdiocese: Santa Ana, Caborca, Magdalena, Nogales, Tijuana B.C., Tucson and Arizona.
- The Flame of Love has spread to El Salvador. Jorge Antonio Cruz went to Mexico in May to receive the Flame of Love and brought the message back to El Salvador.
- **November 12<sup>th</sup>** – Cardinal Bernardino Echeverria Ruiz gave his approval to a booklet entitled: "Prayer Cenacles of the Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary - A New Pentecost", as an instrument for the propagation of the cenacles of prayer throughout the world.

## 1995

- The emblem of the International Flame of Love Movement was given to the painter Maria Luisa Morales as an inspiration. The text surrounding the emblem says: *Mother, save us by the Flame of Love of your Immaculate Heart.* (On the image, the writing is in Portuguese).



## 1996

- **February 2<sup>nd</sup>** – The first national retreat of the Flame of Love Movement was held at the Basilica of Guadeloupe, Mexico.
- **February 6** – Msgr. Flavio Calle Zapata, Bishop of the diocese of Sonson Rionegro, wrote a letter to Beatriz Casas de Tavera de Santa Fe, in Bogotá, Colombia, thanking her for sending him the brochure entitled "Prayer Cenacles".A portrait of Msgr. Flavio Calle Zapata, Bishop of the diocese of Sonson Rionegro. He is a middle-aged man with short hair, wearing a dark suit jacket over a white shirt and a dark tie. He is seated in an office or library, with bookshelves visible in the background. A small crucifix is on a stand to his left. The text "Flavio Calle Zapata" and "Arzobispo de Bogotá" is overlaid at the bottom of the image.
- **June 18** – The Flame of Love Movement in San José, Costa Rica, officially began as an apostolic Movement that spread throughout San José.
- **June 26** – During correspondence with *Difusora Mariana Argentina*, it was confirmed that there were already prayer groups of the Flame of Love in Argentina.
- Sister Anna Roth proposed a triptych (a picture or carving on three panels side by side used as an altarpiece) which received the Imprimatur of the Bishop of Hungary. Ten thousand of them were made and they ran out quickly.
- **October 22** – Cardinal Bernardino Echeverría Ruiz of Ecuador approves the statutes of the Flame of Love Movement for his diocese.
- **December 12** – Returning from her trip to Mexico, Mrs. Nilda de Mejia from Peru gathered friends interested in the Flame of Love at her home to begin a cenacle of prayer.

## 1997

- **January 9** – the Archbishop of Hermosillo, Mexico, Bishop J. Ulises Macias Salcedo approved the printing of the Spiritual Diary and all the documents of the Flame of Love.



## 1998



- **February 1<sup>st</sup>** – Sister Anna Roth passed away and was granted to be buried next to Elizabeth's grave. She was regarded as a woman who had great love for all. She had been actively involved in printing the messages in Germany.



- **April 17** – The Auxiliary Bishop of San Jose, Costa Rica, Antonio Troyo Calderon, approved the publication of the messages of the Flame of Love.
- In Canada, we had the first prayer group of the Flame of Love in Longueuil, on the South Shore of Montreal. Every week the group gathered to pray the Flame of Love Rosary with celebration of Holy Mass at Gerard Picard's house where he lived with his mother Leonie.

## 1999



- Monsignor Bernardino Echeverría Ruiz, who had been elevated to the rank of Cardinal in 1994 by Pope John Paul II, presided over the first international conference of the Flame of Love Movement that took place in Mexico City, Mexico. He died on **April 6, 2000**. He was a friend and a great apostle of Our Lady's Flame of Love.

## **Nominations that took place in July during the first International Conference held in Mexico**

- International Coordinator: Father Gabriel Rona, S.J.
- International Spiritual Director: Cardinal Bernardino Echeverria Ruiz
- National Director of Hungary: Luis Antaloczi
- National Director of Mexico: Anna Maria Trujillo de Moreno
- National Spiritual Director of Mexico: Padre Antonio Flores Venegas
- National Directors of Ecuador: Adolfo Armijos and Anita Cardenas de Torres.
- National Director of Peru: Nilda Morales de Mejia
- National Director of Costa Rica: Mercedes de Ulloa
- National Director of Colombia: Beatriz Casas de Tavera
- National Director of the United States: Maria Guadalupe of Shu
- National Director of China: Dr. Zsoldos, SVD

- **December 8** – Inauguration by Father Antonio Maria Borges of the first sanctuary dedicated to the Flame of Love in Jacarei, Sao Paulo, Brazil.



**2000**



- **May 1<sup>st</sup>** – A second sanctuary of the Flame of Love was inaugurated in Cotia, Sao Paulo, Brazil, by Father Devanir Antonio dos Santos.

- In Canada, we met Georges Couture. He revealed that he had made a promise to the Blessed Virgin Mary that because his prayer was answered, he would take care of the Flame of Love. He encouraged the Flame of Love Movement in Canada to achieve non-profit organization status. Subsequently, he has helped us greatly and allowed us to print our booklets in large quantities so that we could benefit from a lower printing cost.

It was also at his encouragement that we started to send material to several countries on the African continent, such as miraculous medals, plastic rosaries, 32-page Flame of Love booklets, and pictures of Jesus and Mary that had prayers printed on the back.

- **August 25<sup>th</sup>** – Official launch of the Flame of Love Movement in Canada incorporated in the two official languages, English and French.
- **September 14<sup>th</sup>** – Mgr. Rafael Leon Villegas, Bishop of Ciudad Guzmán, Mexico, congratulates Ana Maria Trujillo de Moreno wholeheartedly for the propagation of the Flame of Love of our Blessed Mother.



## 2001

- The second international conference of the Flame of Love Movement was held in Mexico City, Mexico.



## 2002

- **February 2<sup>nd</sup>** – The third sanctuary dedicated to the Flame of Love in Brazil was inaugurated in Cunhau, Rio Grande do Norte in the presence of Bishop D. Matias Patricio de Macedo. Two other shrines dedicated to the Flame of Love were built in Sao Paulo, one of them can accommodate several thousand pilgrims.
- **October 13<sup>th</sup>** – The first Flame of Love National Conference in Canada was held. Nearly 400 people participated. Until 2018, a total of six national conferences were held in Montreal.

## 2003

- The third International Conference of the Flame of Love Movement took place in the city of Acapulco, Mexico.
- **In December**, Zaida Luz Ceballos de Urbina is appointed National Director of the Flame of Love Movement in Mexico.

## 2004

- Michel Quessy from Quebec City, Canada, translated the Spiritual Diary from Spanish into French and English.
- **November 13** – Father Gabriel Róna, then International Coordinator of the Flame of Love Movement, visits Canada on the occasion of the third national conference.



## 2005

- Printing in Canada of the one hundred thousandth copy of the small 32-page booklet of the Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.
- Sara Perez becomes the National Director of the United States. In that country, there are already members of the Flame of Love Movement in Texas and Arizona.
- Carlos Salazar of Costa Rica with Father Oscar Brenes, a canonist priest, worked to bring the Statutes of the Flame of Love Movement in line with the requirements of the Vatican guidelines, with the aim of gaining recognition by the Universal Church.
- Elizabeth Kindelmann's Spiritual Diary in Portuguese was printed in Sao Paulo, Brazil.
- International conference in Quito, Ecuador, for the drafting of the statutes of the Flame of Love Movement. Nine countries were represented. A resolution was adopted to build an international multilingual website for the Flame of Love Movement, which would be supported by Canada. Gerard Picard, a member of the National Coordination of Canada brought back a 19-inch statue of the Virgin of the Flame of Love. From this magnificent statue, we had one hundred made by a Quebec statuary.



- In Buenos Aires (Argentina), Cardinal Bergoglio – future Pope Francis – gave his permission to pray the Flame of Love in his diocese.

## 2006

- The Flame of Love Movement starts in Africa, greatly aided by Internet communications with Canada. Material of the Flame of Love was sent to eight different countries: Ghana, Ivory Coast, Benin, Togo, Cameroon, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Madagascar and Burkina Faso.

- In Canada, Christine Le Beau took care of the translation of the Prayer Cards of our Lady's "Hail Mary Flame of Love Petition" into nine languages as well as the Prayer Cards of Jesus's Unity Prayer in seven languages.



- Shipments to Africa took place in **2006 and 2007**. In all, eight African countries benefited from shipments by post. Each country receiving nine kilograms boxes of Flame of Love material.

### List of the countries that benefited from these shipments:

- Aline Binyungu, Bukavu, D.R. of the Congo: 13 boxes
- Alfred Vinakpon, Togo: 23 boxes
- Pierre Keli, Sokodé, Togo: 7 boxes
- Jocelyn Tobie, Cameroon: 13 boxes
- Father Marcellin Apovo, Ivory Coast: 13 boxes
- Joseph Zongo, Burkina Faso: 13 boxes
- Sister Alvera, Madagascar: 13 boxes
- Abbot Gildas, Benin: 13 boxes
- Father Peter Shiagbor, Ghana: 6 boxes

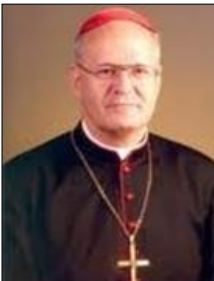
## 2007

- **January 31<sup>st</sup>** – Three hundred copies of the French edition of the Spiritual Diary were shipped from Canada to Éditions du Parvis in Switzerland.

## 2008

- The bishop of the diocese of Santo Amaro de Sao Paulo, Brazil, D. Fernando Figueiredo, blessed Guilherme Moraes and Rosalia Lasz de Moraes for their new mission as International Coordinators of the Flame of Love Movement for a period of six years succeeding Father Gabriel Róna.
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- Antonio Murilo, from Brazil, was appointed Assistant to the International Coordination of the Movement.
  - A second international conference for the drafting of the statutes of the Flame of Love Movement was held in Sao Paulo, Brazil.
  - The Movement in Canada committed to financially support an orphanage dedicated to the Flame of Love led by Sister Alvera (Teresian Carmelite) in Goma, the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

## 2009



- **June 5<sup>th</sup>** – The original Hungarian Spiritual Diary of Elizabeth Kindelmann's received the Imprimatur number 494-4/2009 from Cardinal Péter Erdő, Archbishop of Esztergom-Budapest, Primate of Hungary and President of the Council of the Bishops' Conferences of Europe (CCEE).

- In response to a convocation by the International Coordination of the Movement, the local coordinators of the 18 ecclesiastical provinces of Mexico met to elect a National Director. The 18 provinces are the following: Acapulco, Baja California, Durango, Bajío, Chiapas, Chihuahua, Guadalajara, Hermosillo, Mexico City, Monterrey, Morelia, Oaxaca, Puebla, San Luis Potosí, Tlalnepantla, Hidalgo, Jalapa, Yucatan.
- In Canada, **from 2009 to 2011**, 32 pilgrimages took place with the Virgin of the Flame of Love Statue in the churches of Montreal. Different priests agreed to speak of the Flame of Love in their homily. Every month, a church was visited. The homilies of the priests were filmed and posted on the Flame of Love YouTube channel. In each church, the Flame of Love Statue entered in a procession at the beginning of the Eucharistic celebration. It was a wonderful time for Quebec.
- **August 19** – Gerard Picard, member of the National Coordination of Canada, is appointed International Assistant for the African Continent.

### **Gerard Picard's trip to Africa**

**Ivory Coast** - National Director:  
Agathe Nebout

- **In December**, Gerard Picard from the Flame of Love Movement in Canada undertook a trip to Africa in his capacity as International Assistant for that continent.
- This trip to six countries required a total of sixteen flights. About fifteen lectures were given to present the Flame of Love in a most welcoming and warm environment. During this two-week trip, Gerard met three archbishops and nine bishops.

- During a meeting with the Apostolic Nuncio of West Africa who at that time was visiting Ivory Coast, his Excellency Mgr. Ambroise



Madta blessed a grotto containing a large statue of the Flame of Love nearly two meters high.



- A meeting was held with Monsignor Alexis Touably Youlo, Bishop of the Diocese of Agboville who presided over the first national conference of the Flame of Love Movement a few years ago.



- Some 200 people joined the Flame of Love Movement in Ivory Coast during the visit of the International Assistant for Africa.

**Burkina-Faso – National Director:**  
Father Joseph Zongo

- Visit to Koudougou and the city of Dougou, to meet the local bishop and the National Director of the Flame of Love.



**Togo – National Director:**  
Alfred Vinakpon



- Visit to Mgr. Benoît Alowonou, Bishop of the Diocese of Kpalimé, with the National Director of Togo to present the Flame of Love Movement of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The welcome was very warm.

- A visit to present the Flame of Love was also made to the Archbishop of Lome, Mgr. Denis Amuzu Dzakpah.



**Benin – National Director:  
Father Gildas**

- Meeting with a prayer group of the Flame of Love in Cotonou.



**Cameroon – National Director:  
Jocelyn Tobie**

- Visit to a Flame of Love prayer group and representatives of the National Coordination.

### **Democratic Republic of the Congo Orphanage of Goma**



- Visit to the Flame of Love Orphanage in Goma, D.R. of the Congo, where child victims of the civil war are welcomed.



- **June 6, 2009** – At the national conference of Hungary, Cardinal Péter Erdö was informed by the International Assistant for Africa of the existence of the Flame of Love Orphanage, which is part of our Movement, directed by a Teresian Carmelite Sister totally dedicated to the Flame of Love.



## 2010

- **January 15<sup>th</sup>** – Appointment of the new National Director of Peru, Rosario Torres Verastegui, who succeeded Nilda de Mejia.
- Nilda Morales from Peru was appointed Assistant to the International Coordination for the Americas.

- **July 7<sup>th</sup>** – First presentation of the Flame of Love Movement documents to the Vatican to seek the recognition of the Movement by the Universal Church.



## 2011

- **May 31<sup>st</sup>** – Mgr. Rutilo Muñoz Zamora, Bishop of Coatzacoalcos, Mexico, approves the statutes of the Flame of Love Movement for his country.



- **August 8<sup>th</sup>** – Presentation to the Vatican of a second set of documents for the recognition of the Flame of Love Movement by the Church. Mgr. Josef Clemens, Secretary of the Pontifical Council for the Laity, welcomes the International Directors of the Movement, Guilherme and Rosalia Morais.

- The fourth International Flame of Love Conference was held in Budapest, Hungary.



**2012**



### **50th Anniversary**

of this great gift that is the Flame of Love of the Blessed Virgin Mary given to Elisabeth Kindelmann for all humanity. **(1962 - 2012)**

### **The Golden Wedding**

## 2013

- Anthony Mullen is appointed National Director of the United States. Anthony did very good work and gave several lectures in different US states. He participated in the preparation of the 121-page book that is available in the United States.



- First edition in the United States of a 121-page book: *The Flame of Love*, published in Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania. Nihil Obstat: Mgr. Joseph G. Prior; Imprimatur: Mgr. Charles Chaput, Archbishop of Philadelphia.
- In the United States, their first cenacle was formed in the fall at St. Denis Parish in Havertown, Pennsylvania, under the direction of Eileen Piergiovanni. Anthony Mullen and a small group began to meet regularly at Eileen's house.
- In Montreal, Canada, we set up our offices at the St. Remi parish for a one-year period where we had access to the church without having to leave the premises.
- Several gatherings took place in this church. We had subsequently to move because of a redevelopment of the premises, three of which were available to us.  
*Left to right: Gerard Picard, Christine Le Beau and Marcel Dufour.*



## 2014

- Publication in Canada of the full Spiritual Diary of the Flame of Love in English. The Spiritual Diary is currently printed on demand by Amazon in three languages: English, French and Spanish, which allows a large number of persons around the world to become acquainted with it.
- The fifth International Flame of Love Movement Conference was held in Colombia, South America.
- Father Guido Martirani was appointed International Spiritual Director of the Movement.
- Father Jorge Reyes was appointed Spiritual Director for the Americas.
- **August 15<sup>th</sup>** – The Movement in the United States held its first Flame of Love event. Advertising was minimal and about 50 people were expected. Miraculously, more than 400 people showed up.
- Mgr. Ralph Chieffo became the National Spiritual Director in the United States.
- Many new Cenacles were formed in the Philadelphia area and five other states.
- **December 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Gyöző Kindelmann, grandson of Elizabeth Kindelmann, was elected International Director of the Flame of Love Movement at the international conference that took place in Colombia.



## 2015

- **In January**, the meetings of the leadership of the Movement in the United States expanded and moved to offices in the Convent of St. Philomena.
- **In the spring**, the first annual national conference of the United States was held, attended by 400 people.
- Cenacles began to emerge in the USA. Local and national retreats and conferences were held, as well as the first goal of the first schools of Catholic spirituality.
- In Canada, a newsletter was created to be sent to more than 2,000 persons to inform them of our annual calendar of spiritual events so that the Flame is kept alive.
- The U.S. Flame of Love Movement began to organize the first Saturdays of the month requested by the Blessed Virgin in Fatima.
- In the USA, the Flame of Love radio program began on Thursdays on Radio Maria hosted by Chuck Webster, and in 2017 by Vicki McGrath.



- **June 21<sup>st</sup>** – Our dear father Gabriel Róna, S.J., the great apostle of the Flame of Love, was called home to the Father's house. His role has been instrumental in spreading the Flame of Love in South America.

## 2016

- Mexico's National Directors, Rosario Alicia Quirino de Limones and Isidro Limones Hernandez were elected Continental Coordinators for the Americas, succeeding Nilda Morales from Peru.



- In the United States, 61 new prayer cenacles were formed. Through the practice of fasting and prayer requested by the

Blessed Virgin, such as the rosary with the petition of the Flame of Love; and the unity prayer with the sign of the Cross five times.

- The U.S. Flame of Love National Conference in Pennsylvania ended with sold-out presentations from Father Jim Blount, SOLT, Mgr. Ralph Chieffo, Mark Mallett and Sister Ann Shields, IHM.
- On the occasion of the World Meeting of Families, the Flame of Love Movement of the United States sponsored a beautiful exposition of prayer petitions that were raised to Heaven, in the basilica cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul in Philadelphia during the visit of Pope Francis.

## 2017

- **October 19<sup>th</sup>** – The sixth International Conference was held in Mexico City.
- Sister Alvera (head of Goma Flame of Love Orphanage) was appointed National Director for the Flame of Love Movement in the D.R. of the Congo.
- In the United States, events and cenacles are spreading throughout the country. The Movement participated in several events to publicize the Flame of Love.
- **December 7<sup>th</sup>** – An agreement was made by the Movement in Canada with the Éditions du Parvis in Switzerland for the publication of 1,000 copies of the Spiritual Diary in French, which will be available in European bookstores.

## 2018

- Anthony Mullen, National Director of the USA, died suddenly on **March 10<sup>th</sup>**. Rest in peace!





- Eileen Piergiovanni is appointed National Director for the United States on **July 20th**, succeeding Anthony Mullen.

- The Advisory Group serving the four regions of the United States has been formed to lead and facilitate initiatives and events across the country. The four members are Diane Salem, Lori Brown, Michelle Guidry and Jennifer Briones.

## 2019

- **April 28** – On Divine Mercy Sunday, began an initiative very dear to Anthony Mullen's heart, the 33 Days of Mary's consecration to Jesus that culminated on May 31st, with morning Mass at the shrine of the Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, Massachusetts, and an evening Mass at Saint Mary Magdalene Parish in Media, Pennsylvania.
- **June 15** – The 5th Spirituality School was held at Annunciation Parish, in Havertown, Pennsylvania, was held. From Friday, July 26 to Sunday, July 28, the fifth national conference was held at Malvern Retreat House, Pennsylvania.
- The Flame of Love is currently spread in almost all the countries of the American continent: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, Salvador, United States, Uruguay and Venezuela.

## 2020

- The next International Conference will be in Budapest, (Hungary), **from November 9th to the 15th**. Everybody are invited.

**Below is a list of countries where the Movement in  
Canada sent booklets and various documents**

Algeria  
Australia  
Belgium  
Benign  
Burkina Faso  
Colombia  
Denmark  
Ethiopia  
France  
French Guyana  
Germany  
Gibraltar (Eng)  
Guadeloupe  
Haïti  
Hawaii  
Reunion Island  
India  
Ireland  
Italy  
Ivory Coast  
Japan  
Luxembourg  
Madagascar  
Malaysia

Mauritius Islands  
Morocco  
Martinique  
New Zealand  
Northern Ireland  
Panama  
Philippines  
Polynesia  
Portugal  
Rwanda  
Scotland  
Senegal  
Slovakia  
South Africa  
Spain  
Sri Lanka  
Switzerland  
Tahiti  
Tanzania  
Togo  
Tunisia  
Uganda  
United Kingdom  
United States

