FFWPU Spain's Workshop for Blessing Candidates and Their Parents in Madrid

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Workshop for Blessing Candidates and Their Parents: A Journey of Preparation and Unity in Madrid

From October 29th to November 1st, the vibrant city of Madrid became a spiritual focal point as it hosted a profound and deeply reflective workshop for Blessing candidates and their parents. Bringing together a dedicated group of approximately 30 participants and staff members, the four-day gathering served as a vital stepping stone in preparing families for one of their most significant spiritual milestones.

Through a carefully curated blend of joint and separate sessions, both the candidates and their parents were given the space to deeply explore the true meaning of the Blessing. These tailored discussions helped each generation clarify their unique roles and responsibilities in preparing for this profound commitment. Rather than a standard seminar, the event naturally cultivated an atmosphere of remarkable openness, unity, and mutual support, allowing families to bond and share their journeys with absolute sincerity.

Adding a beautiful international dimension to the gathering, four candidates from Portugal traveled to take part, enriching the shared experience and expanding the sense of community. The program was further elevated by the compelling contributions of Ana Paula Berto, Portugal's National Leader, who delivered powerful insights as a featured lecturer. Alongside her, Marea Toresen from Norway, the dedicated head of the EUME Blessed Family Department, remained a pillar of strength, offering invaluable guidance and continuous support throughout the entirety of the program.

Ultimately, the Madrid workshop was much more than a preparatory course; it was a catalyst for transformation. It successfully encouraged profound personal reflection and spiritual growth, leaving both candidates and their parents walking away with a renewed, deeply rooted connection to Heavenly Parent as they step confidently toward their shared future.