

## FMDM Bursars Meeting

On 5-16 April 2018 our FMDM Finance team from around the world gathered in Ladywell for a two week Training and Formation Meeting.



### Front Row (L—R)

Eammon Feely (Finance Manager Ireland);

Elizabeth Lim (Finance Link Singapore);

Connie Hoe (Finance Link Malaysia)

Concilia Chemhere (Zimbabwe Country Bursar);

Emily Smith (Finance Team Ladywell)

### Second Row (L—R)

Helena McEvelly (General Bursar); Anne Marie Littler (Zambia Bursar); Chan Ying Ling (Singapore Bursar)

### Back Row (L—R)

Teresa Reed (Finance Team Ladywell); Beatrice Pius (Nigeria Bursar); Shaun Cooper (Finance Team Ladywell); Agnes Wong (Malaysia Bursar)



## Each day was held in a spirit of discernment and prayer

The Finance team had the opportunity to:

- Receive training by Amanda Francis (Buzzacott) who spoke with the group about the regulatory environment for the UK Charity Sector including Trustees Responsibilities, Risk Management and Audit Requirements.
- The group were joined on another day by the members of the Congregation's Finance Advisory Committee as each shared their own country's experiences of finance including how finances support the Congregations mission and how the economic and political situations influence the task of stewarding the resources of the Congregation.
- The training provided the opportunity for a growth in understanding of the unique challenges each one faces and how, together, guidelines and policies can be developed which facilitate the work of the bursar as well as meeting the requirements of the FMDM charity as well as in the various accounting procedures used by the Congregation.

As each return to their own country we are grateful for the deepening of relationships and understanding amongst the team who have the responsibility of stewarding our financial resources