



Finances Letter N°18

Paris, 24th March 2026

To the Provincial Treasurers

Copy to the Provincial Coordinators and Vice-coordinators,

Copy to the Community coordinators,

Copy to the Vice International Coordinators and members of the Board of Directors

Dear Provincial Treasurers,

Following the closing of the 2025 accounts and the approval of the 2026 budget by the Board of Directors, it seems essential to me to share with you the financial situation of Faith and Light International and present the outlook for the current year.

It is indeed thanks to the commitment and support of each one of you that the mission of Faith and Light is able to be carried out and takes on its full meaning.

I am pleased to announce that our **2025 financial results** show a surplus for the first time in several years. This result is due both to a stabilization of resources from contributions and a significant increase in donations, combined with a temporary reduction in staff cost and a lower international coordination expenses.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the provinces that made a strong effort in 2025 to significantly increase their annual contribution to the international level.

Thanks to this collective effort, contributions reached €159,000, covering nearly 89% of operating expenses, with the remainder financed through the generosity of our donors.

This year, the number of donors increased by 18% compared to 2025, while donations from abroad—previously very limited—rose by 166%, representing an additional €8,000 compared to last year.

I would also like to thank the 11 provinces and their communities that organized the **“Announcing and Sharing” days** in 2025, whose proceeds (€8,500) were donated to Faith and Light International to help fund solidarity projects. I would like to especially acknowledge the provinces of *Northern Lights*, *Terra et Mare* and *Paris et le Levant* for their long-standing commitment and generous support over the years.

Please feel free to encourage such initiatives in all communities, both to promote the mission and activities of Faith and Light and to raise funds to support our brothers and sisters facing financial difficulties.

For your information, in **2025 Faith and Light International distributed a total of €20,620** in solidarity funds. You will find below the breakdown:

- **€2,985** for a formation session for friends from the 38 communities of the **Ukraine Province** (around 70 participants, including some persons with disabilities and chaplains) in May/June 2025.
- **€2,000** for two pilgrimages to **Lebanon** in June 2025.
- **€1,190** for a summer camp in South Sudan and two formation sessions in **El Minia and Assiut**, Egypt, last summer.
- **€687** for the provincial meeting and formation in **Zimbabwe and Zambia, Capricorn Africa Province**, in August 2025.
- **€2,695** for a formation session and a provincial gathering in **Chihuahua, Mexico**, bringing together the communities of the **Our Lady of Guadalupe Province** and the provincial team in September 2025.
- **€2,090** for the **Middle East coordinators' meeting** in Lebanon, November 2025.
- **€1,068** for a formation session of the coordinators across the Rio Grande do Norte region in the **Reborn Province, Brazil**, in November 2025.
- **€100** for the provincial meeting and elections in **Rodrigues Island**.
- **€3,405** for special support to the 10 communities of the province **Our Lady of Africa, the Savannah** (Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroun, Ivory Coast, Nigeria, Togo).

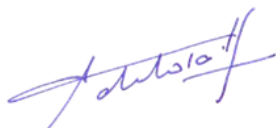
The 2026 solidarity funds will be dedicated exclusively to the Coordinators' Council (scheduled for late October 2026 in Egypt), as it has been the case in previous years when international meetings were held. In this context, the Board of Directors has decided to allocate €40,000 to solidarity efforts in order to help provinces that may be unable to fully fund the participation of their coordinators, and also to support the participation of chaplains from all Christian denominations represented within Faith and Light, who are invited to this meeting.

As every year, you will find in Appendix the **2026 contributions table**, which should be completed with the amount your province commits to contribute to Faith and Light International this year. Please **fill out the table and return** it to the international secretariat by **April 30 at the latest** at the following email address: cdoudelle@foietlumiere.org
If you have any questions, feel free to contact Céline at the secretariat.
I would also like to warmly thank those of you who have already sent in your 2026 contribution!

Due to the organization of the Coordinators' Council in Egypt, which requires significant involvement from the Secretariat, the formation sessions and online meetings with provincial treasurers and coordinators will have to be postponed to the first half of 2027. Thank you very much for your understanding.

Meanwhile, I wish you a Lenten journey filled with peace and light, guiding you joyfully toward Easter.

Warmest regards,



Antoine de la Taille,
International Treasurer