



6. **PREFERENTIAL OPTION FOR THE POOR.** Done during the pandemic. Need to tap resources from parishioners in providing skills to all, minority groups and the indigenous peoples. To encourage the synodal spirit in this option.
7. **INCLUSIVITY.** Seen in the voices of everyone in this process. Need to make efforts to include the disenfranchised in our parish.
8. **PRAYER AND SACRAMENTS.** Prayer is strong by everyone. Need for more preparation for the Sacrament of Matrimony.
9. **LEADERSHIP.** Youths are left and without proper training, thus, there is no continuity in the leadership
10. **COMPANIONS ON THE JOURNEY.** Church leaders need to give guidance. We need to live the communion in the Eucharist with all.
11. **COMMUNITY BUILDING.** While promoting hope for our future as Church, we live faith in tandem with our daily life.
12. **COMMUNICATION.** Helped in openness and frankness in our sharings. Need for effective communication for clearer understanding on mission.
13. **SOCIAL COMMUNICATIONS.** A need to help many uses these means.
14. **ECUMENISM & INTERRELIGIOUS.** A need to make more efforts in this.  
  
To be well versed in this. To allow christians of other denominations to receive Holy Communion in the Catholic Church.
15. **YOUTH.** Many are moving out because of work. They lack role models. A need for their deepening and growth in faith.
16. **DIVERSITY.** In improving language apostolates. Plurality is a strength in the parish to live a synodal life.
17. **DISCERNMENT.** In listening to the Holy Spirit.

**OVERALL SUMMARY.** To focus on relationships with accompaniment. Being a listening and empathetic Church, especially among Leaders. To speak with courage in love, without Fear. A need for greater inclusivity of Youth, the Elderly, Marginalised & Minorities, the Poor, and to respect cultures. To make Evangelization and Mission our way of Life going beyond the parish. ✠

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NEW WAY OF BEING CHURCH

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SALT OF THE EARTH AND LIGHT OF THE WORLD:  
COMMUNION (INCLUSIVE), PARTICIPATION (CREATIVE) & MISSION (BRIDGE BUILDING)

MONTHLY FOCUS:  
CHURCH AND YOUNG PEOPLE

FOCUS EVENT:  
YOUNG PEOPLE DAY

## DIOCESE OF PENANG *Pre-synodal Report (summary)*



### A. 17 PASTORAL CONCENS WERE IDENTIFIED AS FOLLOWS

1. **SENSE OF BELONGING.** With consultation and involvement of all, in this and in BECs. Its missing when with Mass attendance there is no mission. A need for communal discernment in finding solutions, and to avoid those who dissuade, confuse, demoralise and intimidate potential servers.
2. **FORMATION AND CATECHESIS.** A need for a systematic faith formation, for trained and dedicated full time staff as youth formators, counselors, psychologists and others. To empower the laity with the resources available. To deepen Church teaching, the Eucharist, Word of God, social and political responsibilities and knowledge of current issues, theological studies and for children's participation.
3. **EVANGELISATION AND RE-EVANGELISATION** needed to live out being missionary Disciples of Christ. Promoting mutual respect and unity in inter religious dialogue.
4. **DIALOGUE.** to promote active speaking and listening, of observation, sharing of thoughts and problems, of speaking without and openness to all views.
5. **SERVICE CENTEREDNESS.** Is done through parish groups and on a personal basis. To encourage this from families.