Conference meetings and activities:
SVP1833

The number of meetings vary on many different factors, such as the Conferences' studies/commitments, to the intensity and frequency of the activities they engage in.

Guideline on how to hold a SVP1833 Conference meeting:

The President opens the meeting with a Vincentian prayer from the SVP Prayer Book, which the conference says together. A spiritual reflection then takes place – either using the prepared resources or using a reflection that one of the conference had planned. If there is no charitable activity planned, the spiritual activity could fill the session but we encourage that overall there needs to be a balance struck between the spiritual aspect and the charitable activity.

The Secretary then reads the minutes of the last meeting and group members discuss activities they have done since the last meeting. Any future plans are discussed and decisions recorded by the Secretary.

The Treasurer reports the group's financial situation, a record of any funds raised and money spent on behalf of the group.

The Communications Officer arranges whatever publicity is required by the group. The President concludes the meeting with a prayer from the given prayer book.

In the early stages, the group might need more guidance from their Conference mentor, but our standard principle is that the groups are young adults led. Some Conferences meet, as well as undertake their voluntary activity all in one go. In others, meetings happen separately from activity, alternating between the two from month to month.

When the Conference is established, they are encouraged to invite the president of the local adult SVP Conference (if there is one) at least once a quarter. The group may decide to invite guest speakers to address the group from time to time; to talk about a particular issue such as social justice, which could influence the group's activities for the following quarter and inspire other young adults to continue in their efforts to shape a more just society.