

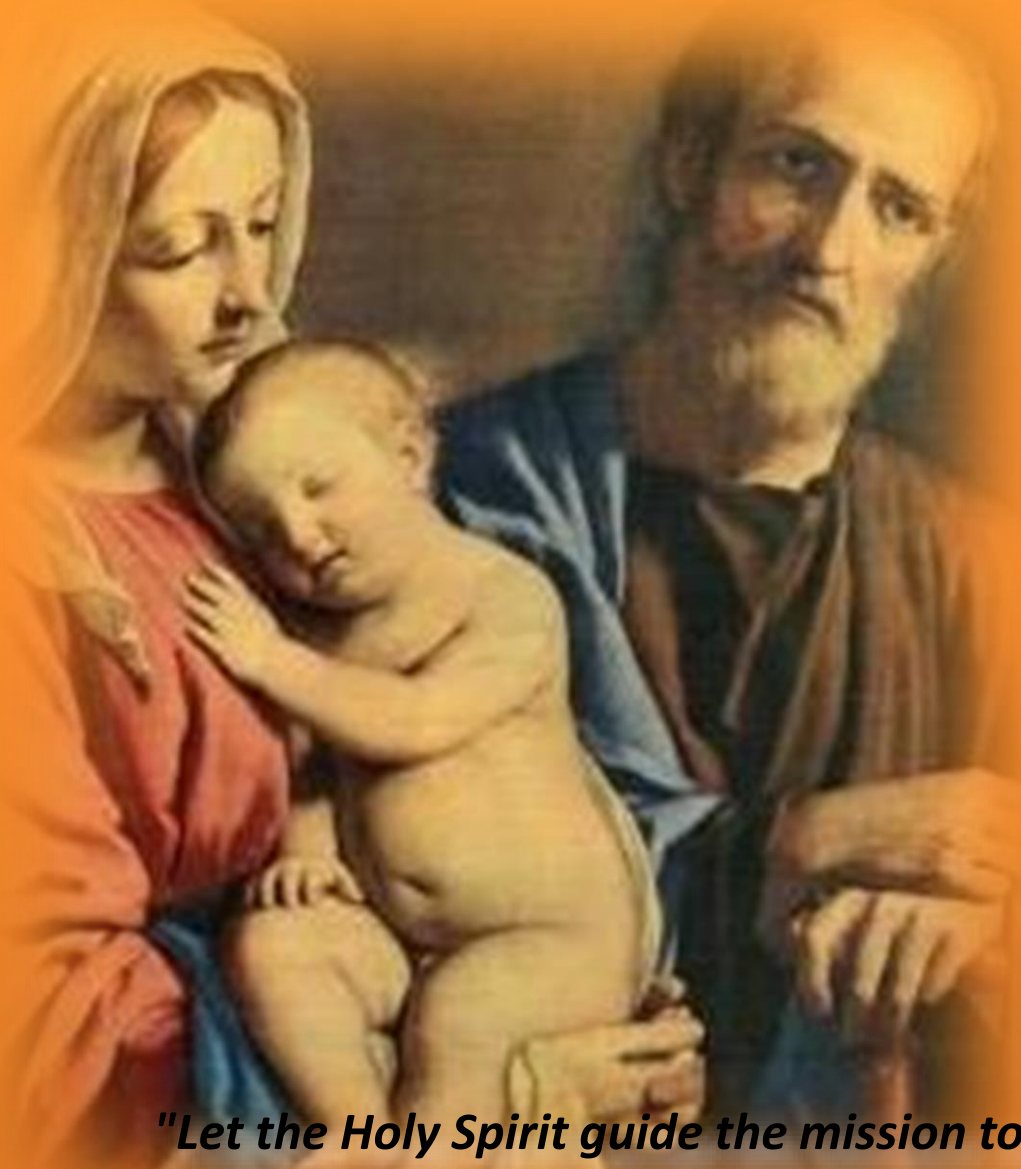
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*"Let the Holy Spirit guide the mission to proclaim the Gospel of marriage,
family and life in the world"*

Report on the first meeting with married couples at Saint Eligio Parish in the Diocese of Rome, Italy,



on 18th January, 2015.

Participants: Rosalinda Campos & Jorge Carrillo, ICCFM World Presidents. Rev. Guillermo Muñiz Vargas, ICCFM World Chaplain. Raquel Vivian, MFC National President in Mexico.



Objective: Encouraging the married couples attending the meeting to become members of the Christian Family Movement by following a faith formation process that can be implemented at the parish level.

Background: During our trip to Rome to attend the preparatory seminar for the “International Conference of Church Movements, Groups, and Associations on Family and Life” which was convened by the Pontifical Council for the Family, we had the opportunity to meet the Rev. Joseph Alexander de León, who is a friend of Rev. Guillermo Muñiz (ICCFM World Chaplain). We discussed today’s challenges for families and the tools that CFM offers for family evangelization.

We did a presentation on the “Evangelical Solidarity” Project by handing out copies of this project which we had fortunately brought along with us.

Our audience expressed an interest in our project and requested that it be implemented in their parish. Rev. Joseph Alexander de León had a meeting with several families the following day and he told them about this project. We agreed to send him printed materials and a DVD in Spanish and English, which he will translate into Italian.

Materials were shipped by DHL on 26th November to Rev. Joseph Alexander de León. The following step is to do a presentation in this parish and have a meeting with the married couples interested in joining the CFM. This meeting was scheduled during our stay in Rome while attending the “International Conference of Church Movements, Groups, and Associations on Family and Life” which was convened by the Pontifical Council for the Family in January 2015.

Materials provided:

- ✓ A set of CBF materials in Spanish
- ✓ The Kerygma Manual, and a DVD in English
- ✓ The Kerygma Manual in Spanish
- ✓ Marriage Encounter Manual in English
- ✓ Family Encounter Manual in English
- ✓ A set of CBF materials in English, without the third year materials
- ✓ 4 DVDs with information provided on electronic media

On 18th January we took the metro in Rome to the station near the Saint Eligio Parish where we were taken to the parish and joined the married couples attending the meeting. Our participation in the meeting consisted of two presentations:

- 1.- A discussion on gender ideology that lasted approximately 40 minutes, followed by a question and answer period.
- 2.- The second part of the meeting consisted to doing a presentation on the “Evangelical Solidarity” Project as a comprehensive evangelization process which lasted almost an hour.

A recently retired Argentine citizen and a married couple (among others) could lead the effort to start the CFM in this parish.

Rome Italy.

Venue: Hotel Palace Church.



Assistants: President team of the ICCFM Rosalinda and Jorge Carrillo and Father ecclesial Assistant Guillermo Muñiz V.; Csaba and Gréta Horvath representatives at UN in Vienna; John and Lauri Przybysz continental Presidents of North America and Rev. Donald Conroy Continental Chaplain; Ricardo and Lucia Araujo Presidents of Latin America; Cyril and Carmen D'Sousa continental Presidents Asia and Fr. Arul Raj Gali CSC Ecclesiastical Assistant continent of Asia; Rafael and Raquel Hernandez Presidents MFC in Mexico and National Ecclesial Assistant Fr. Oliver Cesar Villalobos; Robert and María Carmen Kimball, Continental Presidents of Europe were not present for reasons of timetable of flights from Barcelona, Spain to Rome.

The meeting kicked off at 15:45 hours, with the following development:

- Initial prayer
- Objective of the meeting
- Reflection on Evangelii Gaudium
- Topic "The Synod of the family"
- Topic "XIII World Assembly of Families of the ICCFM" and "XVII General Assembly of the ICCFM" the development of this theme was by John and Lauri Przybysz, Continental Presidents and Fr. Donald Conroy, Ecclesial Assistant of North America.

Proposed dates: July 14 meeting of the Secretariat, 15 to the 17 "XIII World Assembly of families" and "XVII General Assembly of ICCFM".

Place (host): Holy Spirit Parish, San Antonio, Texas, USA.

Slogan: "Christian families: interpreting the signs of the times; responding with love and hope"

January 21

Methodology to be used for the development. See, judge and act. (Conference and workshop for each section method)

Program: The program was presented with the General schedules, with the events to be carried out and those responsible for the same, it contains times of formation, integration, free time and spirituality.

Finances: in relation to the estimates of costs presented its estimated projection of income and expenses of the Assemblies, whereas these should be auto sustainable and should not imply cost to MFC Headquarters.



Participation in Congress Rome, January of 2015

Congress of movements, groups and Associations called by the Pontifical Council for the Family.

The International Presidents reported that they delivered two documents to the Pontifical Council for the Family: contribution to 62 points of the Relatio Synodi and responses to the 46 questions, these overview the contributions of the ICCFM.



Proposal of a unique world logo

Analysis of the proposal of the unique logo, whose goal is to achieve the global identity of the Christian Family Movements, John and Lauri presented a proposal to include the logo of the ICCFM, with the Paleo-Christian signs, this would be added to the logo of the country. Was provided additional comments and were agree by all of the attendees. It requests that the Continental Presidents made it known in the continental assemblies for use in reason that it does not affect the identity of each country and if the unit is manifested and belonging to the ICCFM.





Convened by Monsignor Vincenzo Paglia, President of the Pontifical Council for the Family, on the occasion of the Synod of bishops, XIV Ordinary General Assembly;
"The vocation and the Mission of the family in the Church and in the contemporary world"

Objective

Reflect and enrich in unit and Communion the conclusions of the Relatio Synodi that document is be discussed at the annual meeting Bishops in October 2015.

The impulse that the Church wants to give to the Family Ministry with The Synod about "the Family Ministry challenges in the context of evangelization", it will only be possible with the commitment and efforts of the same families and of those who work in close pursuit with them.

For this reason the Pontifical Council for the family (PCF) called three representatives of each of the movements, groups or associations that they work in the pastoral of the marriage, the family and life, and three representatives of each of the family commissions of the Continental Regional Bodies (CCEE, CELAM, AMECEA, FABC, etc.) the days 22, 23 and January 24, 2015 at the facilities of the +Hotel Palace Church in Rome, Italy, in order reflect together on the directions of the extraordinary session of the Synod of the Bishops of October of this year.

For the preparation of this Congress of led out a preparation seminar the 7th and 8th of November 2014.

Because of the importance of the event and in search for a greater involvement of members of the ICCFM the Presidency asked the Bishop Monsignor Vincenzo Paglia, President of PCF grant to assist Continental Presidents teams, the representative at the UN in Vienna and the Presidents of the MFC in Mexico, we obtained a positive response.

Development of the Congress: Thursday 22 January

- 1.- Holy Eucharist, preceded by Monsignor Vincenzo Paglia.
- 2.- Inaugural session, greeting, welcome and purpose of the Congress expressed by the Bishop Monsignor Vincenzo Paglia President of the Pontifical Council for the family (PCF).
- 3.- Exposed opening Conference for the Cardinal Lorenzo Baldisseri, Secretary General of the Synod of bishops.
- 4.- Presentation of movements, groups and associations in a written relationship with a total of 84 organisms present.
- 5.- Exhibition of the Association "Forum of the Family" of Italy, Dr. Francesco Belletti Presidents of the same, in relation to the First part of the guidelines: "the listen: the context and challenges of the family". (SEE)
- 6.- Workshop of reflection and proposals, these are integrated languages: Spanish, English, French and Italian, Spanish workshop is two groups were integrated. He worked in these groups with a moderator and a clerk (a) giving answers to questions 1 to 6 of the 46 questionnaire of the Relatio Synodi (part 1).

23 & 24 January

7.- presentation of the summary of contributions of the five integrated workshops.

8.- Eve and conclusion of the day

Friday, January 23

1.- Holy Eucharist chaired by Bishop Monsignor Jean Laffitte, Secretary of the PCF.

2.- Presentation of the Association "Amour et Vérité" of France, Mr. Olivier and Ms. Xristilla Roussy, in relation to the second part of the Guidelines: "the eyes fixed on Christ: the Gospel of the family". (JUDGE)

3.- Workshop of reflection and proposals, worked in these groups with a moderator and a Secretary (a) responding to questions of the 46 questionnaire the 7 to the 22 questions of the Relatio Synodi (part 2).

4.- Presentation of the "project hope" the "Association Apostolic movement of Schönstatt" of Paraguay, Mr. Victor and Ms. Stella Dominguez. Presentation 1 of the third party from the guidelines: "the confrontation: pastoral perspectives". (ACT)

5.- Workshop of reflection and proposals, worked in these groups with a moderator and a Secretary

(a) responding to questions from the 23 to the 36 46 questionnaire questions of the Relatio Synodi (part 2).

6.- General Assembly for the submission of the work of the workshops in the morning and the later, relating to the second part of the guidelines.

7.- Eve and conclusion of the day.

Saturday, January 24

1.- Holy Eucharist chaired by Bishop Monsignor Jean Laffitte, Secretary of the PCF.

2.- Presentation of the Association "Amour et Vérité" of France, Mr. Olivier and Ms. Xristilla Roussy, in relation to the second part of the Guidelines: "the eyes fixed on Christ: the Gospel of the family". (JUDGE)

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The ICCFM attending the Congress

Team President of the ICCFM Rosalinda and Jorge Carrillo and lic. Fr. Ecclesial Assistant. Guillermo Muñoz V.; Csaba and Greta Horvath representatives at UN in Vienna; John and Lauri Przybysz continental Presidents of North America and Rev. Donald Conroy Continental Assistant; Ricardo and Lucia Araujo Presidents of Latin America, Cyril and Carmen D'Sousa Continental Presidents of Asia and Fr. Arul Raj Gali Assistant CSC Continental Assistant Asia; Robert and Maria Carmen Kimball, continental Presidents of Europe; Rafael and Raquel Hernandez Presidents MFC in Mexico and National Ecclesial Assistant in Mexico Fr. Oliver Cesar Villalobos T.



Report on visit of the ICCFM to the Christian Family Movements, in Croatia, Eastern Europe.



26-29 January

Assistants: Rosalinda Campos and Jorge Carrillo, international Presidents of the ICCFM, Maria Carmen and Robert Kimball, Presidents MFC European continent, MFC in Croatia: Darka and Marijo Zivkoviic, National Presidents.



Objective: To better know the reality of the families of the Confederation, to generate synergy between the Christians Family Movements and ICCFM in the work of the unit and communion for families and thus meet with our mission.

Development of the visit:

Monday, January 26

Departure from Rome, Italy, to Zagreb, capital of Croatia, via air Roma-Estambul - Zagreb.

We arrived at Zagreb at 18:00 hour, we were received by Marijo that took us to the hotel where we were staying. Install us and we went to the 1st work meeting with Dr. Zeljka Markic, daughter of Darka and Marijo, she coordinates some associations of the Civil Society, we present them what is the ICCFM and the projects of the period 2013-2016.

We agreed to have a wider meeting in the headquarters of a CSO and in the presence of a work team of the same, we were asked and deployed the time that was required, and we estimated two hours.

Tuesday, January 27 from 10:00 to 13:00 hours.

Meeting with young leaders from a citizen initiative Agency called "In the name of the family" this meeting was held in the assembly room of its offices, with the following topics of work: "In the name of the family"

1.- presented the objectives and scope of the citizen initiative

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2.- they presented project of the Congress of The Families of the ICCFM European on 2015. The date of the Congress was determined 10 - 13 September 2015. (Note: this date change for 2016, and is expecting the new date)
The theme of the Congress: "promote the values humans in a secularized society"

Call strategies:

To invite the neighbor countries still not they belong to the ICCFM, to supporting them materially to attend.

B.- invite the CEC bishops, so that they could appoint one or two marriages for that attend.

C.- once set the date invite countries members of the ICCFM.

D.- invite to the pastoral family of Croatia and other countries.

"In the family name" commitments:

A.- Do program and take it to its realization.

B.- Relation of requirements of materials with their respective costs (to see with them what could support the ICCFM)

C.- keep informed the ICCFM

D.- after the Congress there will be one pilgrimage to Medjugorje.

"ICCFM" The development of the Congress we were ask for the following supports:

A.- To support them with promotional materials from the ICCFM, to distribute at the Congress

B.- Attend the Congress (mostly Europeans countries) and make invitations of countries to visit

C.- Promote the Congress website of the ICCFM and the European continent.

D.- Economic support of the ICCFM.

E.- After the Congress to attend some Diocese of the country, encouraging on the work evangelist.

F.- Take training materials: mothers responsible, training in the love and adolescents.

G.- Participate a conference with the the ICCFM World Presidents.

3.- Present the ICCFM goal, plans and the ICCFM projects for 2013-2016

Were presented "Being, Life and Action of the ICCFM" and "Presentation of the 2013-2016 work plan of the ICCFM. We deliver a set of books of the CBF in English and two DVDs with this material in Word.

13:30-15:30 hours

Meeting with leaders of "Center of Catholics Students", civil organization of the University Jesuit of Zagreb, were referred the following topics:

A.- Presentation of the ICCFM

B.- Presentation of the scope at the UN.

C.- Programs of some Member countries of the Confederation

D.- Supports that can offer the ICCFM to CSO.

E.- They presented objectives and scope of this Organization.

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18:00-19:00 hours

Meeting with the Auxiliary Bishop of Zagreb, Bishop Zupan responsible for the Family Ministry, who gives a greeting to the ICCFM, in the name of the Croatian Episcopal Conference.

We present to them the ICCFM and the objective of the visit; the presence of the ICCFM in World Congress of Associations, Groups and Ecclesial Movements of Family, in Rome called by Monsignor Vincenzo Paglia, President of the Pontifical Council for the family. It arose the proposal of the European Congress of the ICCFM, with and a approximate content and date.

Bishop fixed a date for the benefit of the assistance to the responsible for the Family Ministry.

19:00-21:00 hours

Meeting with Marijo, National President of the MFC in Croatia (his wife is recovering from a surgical intervention), where we talk about Status of the MFC in this country, Robert and Mari Carmen they completed the questionnaire that details It was pending, requested by the Secretariat of Formation of the headquarters team.

Wednesday, January 28

Meeting with the Apostolic Nuncio, H. E. Archbishop Alessandro D'Errico; on behalf of the ICCFM, we deliver to him the image of our Lady of Guadalupe, framed it in a golden frame, he was very pleased and grateful for the Special gift.

We talk about the challenges facing the family and he thanked on behalf of the Church the work the Confederation makes, serving to families, sends greetings to Nuncio Apostolic in Mexico, H.E. Monsignor Christophe Pierre. At the final gave us his blessing, this action filled us with tenderness and gratitude.



Marijo, took us to his offices where he showed us, different materials that have served to support evangelization, between this images of the Virgin that they gave away settled in the workshops, with the aim of delete pornography, then the people at the moment to see the image of the Virgin they retired other images. Delivered us material to the Presidents of Hungary and Czech Republic.

29 January to 1 February

Assistants: Rosalinda Campos and Jorge Carrillo, the ICCFM International Presidents. Maria Carmen and Robert Kimball, MFC Presidents European continent.

MFC in Hungary: Balazs and Krisztina Ménesi marriage National President.

Objective: To present the ICCFM and improve the knowledge of the reality of the Christian Family Movements, members of the confederation, for generate synergy between these and the ICCFM in the families work and thus be able to fulfill our mission.



19:00-22:00 hours

That night we were invited to a concert, where the brother of Valshas is the director of the Symphonic Orchestra and of school of classical music, then had a family dinner in his home that was very nice to meet and live together with their children: Frank and Augustine. In this dinner we know better between us in fraternity.

Friday, January 30

11:00-13:00 hours

Meeting with the Bishop, head of the Family Ministry in Budapest, with whom we had a cordial meeting and talking of the challenges of the family in Hungary: most couples that living together are not married; the fear of the responsibility and the institutions; 50% of the people who are married got divorced.

We conclude that these are the challenges for the family in the world. He invited us to take dinner, where we continue to talk the painful reality of the family in the world.

13:00 - 16:00 hours

Travel in a van with Csaba and Greta to their town of Sopron, which is five kilometers from the border with Austria.



Report on visit of the ICCFM movements Family Christian, Hungary, Eastern Europe



29 January to 1 February

17:00-19:30 hours

Meeting with MFC members, including the priest of this place, the subject, they were presented and shared their experiences and what they like most of the group. We introduced ourselves and talked about the ICCFM where we are, how many, and what we do, also spoke with the Assistant Priest. They have 16 years as MFC. Later invited us a few snacks.

After the meeting Csaba and Greta they gave us a tour through the city, afterward took us to his house where their children were waiting for us: David, Ezter and Sebastian, also the Greta's Mom, all excellent and very warm hosts. They were wonderful moments those who share with Csaba and Greta and its family.



Saturday, January 31

Return to Budapest; This day after enjoy a tasty breakfast prepared by Greta, Csaba and his sons took us to visit the Augustinian monastery, place where Csaba studied. There same they invited us the lunch, we spent a wonderful day, and returned to Budapest, where we were waiting for a meeting.

16:00-18:00 hours

Meeting with servers of the MFC and FIRES. The dynamics of work was the presentation of the attenders finishing this with the Continental and International Presidents. Was mentioned what is de Confederation, how many we are and how are distributed, its objectives and the plans of this Team 2013-2016.

Challenges for the Confederacy: That the countries Members have formation materials, reach more families and our movements were more familiar, that not stay only as for the couples, which Let us look at the subjects with our children. To give more importance to our evangelizing mission.

Annual activities in Hungary

15 matrimonial encounters/year of 25 couples each.

6-7 meetings of committed boyfriends to marry

Auto-Encounter of people who like the married life

2 meetings of daughters/sons

Encounters for separate persons that are not remarried.

Priests encounters, this is coordinated and led by the diocesan Bishop.

Serve approximately 600 people for year

Commitments

Reach more families

Strengthen couples united in the holy sacrament of marriage

Working with adolescents.



Couples who attended the meeting

- 1.- Couple responsible of 7 groups, they are waiting for his 7th son, and are counsellors of the marriage encounter.
- 2.- Responsible for 55 groups (region)
- 3.- Responsible for giving testimony inside of the encounters, and they are responsible for 11 groups with an average of 7 couples.
- 4.- Responsible for marriage encounter and has 4 children
- 5.- Responsible and orientation of bride and groom encounters.
- 6.- Responsible for a region of 17 groups.
- 7.- Responsible of 13 groups.
- 8.- Responsible for 45 groups, included 8 groups of young children of MFC marriages
- 9.- Responsible for 133 youth
- 10.- Responsible for organizing encounters of sons.
- 11.- Responsible for organizing of bride and groom encounters.

We let them a set of print books of the CBF, (first and second level) and in electronic media a DVD, also the CBF in Spanish and English, including material for strong moments, except for third level.

The ICCFM commitments:

To send:

- 1.- The material for third level for marriage,
- 2.- Material for teens,
- 3.- Formation in love,
- 4.- Responsible mothers and a document of authorization to translate into Croatian.
- 5.- Send the 2007-2010 financial status; 2010-2013 and 2013 - to date
- 6.- Activities programs 2013-2014, 2014 2015.

We are grateful to the family of Balázs and Krisztina Ménesi National President Marriage. The opening of hospitality and affection to ourselves and the enjoyable of the talk with their children.



Report on the Working Visit of the ICCFM to the Christian Family Movement in the Czech Republic in Central Europe.



1st to 4th February, 2015.

Participants: Rosalinda Campos and Jorge Carrillo, ICCFM World Presidents & María Carmen and Robert Kimball, ICCFM European Continental Presidents.

CFM in the Czech Republic: Prof. Jiri and Ludmila Ludvic, National Presidents of “Living Family”

Living Family was founded by “Large Families” (with more than three children) in 1991, one year after the fall of communism. It is an ecumenical organization that is affiliated to the YCMA and the ICCFM.



Objective: Promote the ICCFM and become better acquainted with the reality of the local Christian Family Movement which is a member of the Confederation, in order to generate synergy between the local Christian Family Movement and the ICCFM in our efforts to assist families and fulfill our mission.

Sunday, 1st February

We arrived in Prague at 7 pm. We appreciate the kindness of Jiri who was waiting for us at the train station and took us to his home where Ludmila and one of their sons was waiting for us with a delicious homemade dinner. It was a very friendly encounter with our brethren in the Christian faith and all of us talked about our families and shared our experiences in different languages. Jiri and Ludmila had been in Querétaro, Mexico, attending a Chemical Congress and their married daughter had spent a year in Santiago de Compostela (Spain) where Jorge and Rosalinda had been doing a master in Family Sciences. Jorge and Rosalinda stayed at the daughter’s house whereas Robert and Maria Carmen stayed at Jiri and Ludmila’s house. Our accommodations were excellent.

Monday, 2nd February

Since both Jiri and Ludmila work outside their home, our meetings were held in the late afternoon or evening.

16:30 to 18:45 p.m.

Context: In 1991, there were many single mothers, handicapped and married people, and the local government provided good financial support to separated couples, so that married couples lived together with a officially separated status in order to obtain the financial benefits as separated people. As a result, many couples did not get married and the number of unstable relationships increased with negative social consequences.



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“Living Family”, supports stable families and promotes the following pro-family policies:

A stable family is the best family model for educating children and they will change society for the better;

The most stable marriage is composed of a man and woman united in marriage;

Official recognition of the essential role of a father and mother in their children’s education. A father should have a stable and well-paid job with which to adequately maintain his family;

Mothers are responsible for looking after, taking care of and educating their children;

A mother’s role in her children’s education is essential. The state may neglect its responsibility to provide these services, as they are not considered to be important for ensuring a promising future for the state and society.

A mother’s role in her children’s education is underappreciated and the state does not enact policies that enable a mother to remain at home to look after her children. On the contrary, the prevailing policies encourage mothers to work outside of the home, as they are paid to send their children to daycare centres. Mothers with newly born babies are given maternity leave which is called “Vacations for the birth of a child” so the social services provided by the state to these mothers are considered a gift.

The state should officially recognize the benefits that could be obtained if mothers remained at home to look after their children and reduce costs.

The state should pay mothers the same amount of money that is spent on daycare centers to remain at home and educate their children.

Family services should not be provided by the Ministry of Social Affairs, but by the Ministry of Human Resources. Families are a rich resource for the state and the country itself.

Activities carried out by “Living Family”,

To encourage families to do things together, the following family activities are organized:

- Family campouts.
- Family Encounters on topics of spirituality, sexuality, and family dialogue. Families who are not members of “Living Family” may also participate in these activities. Family Encounters are held three times a year: in spring; summer; and autumn.

“Living Family” is an ecumenical organization, that has Catholic, protestant and atheist members. There are no chaplains. However, Catholic priests do take part in its religious activities. “Living Family” always acts in the framework of universal values which are of Christian origin.

During the communist regime, everyone had to register with a civic association. Nowadays, many people are no longer interested in being members of civil associations and avoid any form of commitment.

Challenges of “New Families”:

Inwards:

Encourage couples to get married.

Encourage mothers to remain at home to look after their children and families.

Outwards:

The state should officially recognize the essential role of parents in the education of their children for the future of the state.

The state should officially recognize the importance of the family.

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1st to 4th February, 2015.

19:00 to 23:00 p.m.

Meeting with the Executive Team of “Living Family”

Introduction and Welcome.

Presentation on the ICCFM given by the ICCFM World and European Continental Presidents.

With Power Point, the ICCFM’s objective, identity, memberships, activities, programmes and projects for the World Team period of 2013 – 2016 were presented. The presentation was interrupted several times by questions, which reflected the interest of the audience. The formation project “Evangelical Solidarity” was of particular interest to the audience who commented that this project would be viable in Prague.

Among the members of the audience was a person who works in the Cathedral of Prague and is active in pastoral work. He described the programme that the priest responsible for this specific pastoral ministry had developed to form family catechism groups.

One of the challenges in the Czech Republic is that laws are being enacted to teach sexual education in schools from the perspective of gender ideology. For this reason, the “Evangelical Solidarity Project” could be implemented successfully in the local family ministry as an alternative to sexual education inspired in gender ideology.

In this meeting our Czech hosts shared their experiences with us and we also discussed the challenges facing many families in other parts of the world in regard to three major aspects: language inculturation; education; and laws affecting families. For these reasons, we have to work harder on family-based faith formation and the methodology and pedagogy used should contribute to an adequate faith formation of all the family members. The different approaches that our Czech hosts proposed for supporting the methodology, pedagogy and dynamics for family faith formation were of great interest to us.



Alvaro and Margarita Rivera's marriage



We know that the world does not understand this type of delivery, however they following it all, followed him.

Are they as good lay, engaged the responsibility of the transformation of the society, through the promotion of the culture of solidarity that exists inside of the Charisma of the Christian family movement.

Alvaro and Margarita Rivera's marriage, they were:

- Founders members of the Christian Family Movement of Costa Rica
- National Presidents of the Christian Family Movement of Costa Rica
- Presidents of the Secretariat for Latin America (SPLA) 1988-1992
- International Presidents of the International Confederation of Christian Family Movements 1995-1998

The service for families is the service by our nation. It is the service for peace and the Security.

The final indications of Jesus marked the identity of every disciple: witness, with the strength of the Holy Spirit. Thanks to the testimony of many men and women as Alvarito and Margarita, the story of Jesus is generating life and hope in our days.

Witness means to remain faithful to Jesus and live according to his teachings every day of our life. It also settle the values of the Gospel present in our culture and purification of aspects that go against the same even if we are criticized by doing so.

Alvarito and Margarita, Thank you for your love of Christ our Lord, by the Charisma of the Family.

Hortensia Urioste of Soneira (22-Jul-1912 to 16-May-2015)



Co-founder of MFC in Latin America

MFC in Uruguay has communicated the recent death of Hortensia Urioste of Soneira - 16 May 2015-who, along with her husband, Federico, was co-founder of the MFC in the Uruguay, accompanied by Adolfo and Ana María Gelsi and by Juan Pedro and Malena Gallinal they promoted and propagated the MFC all over the continent.

These three marriages formed during the first "Latin American meeting" - the Secretariat for Latin America of the MFC, with the assistance of 7 countries, in the city of Montevideo on 30 June 1957.

The marriage of Federico and Hortensia Soneira, were the first Presidents of the SPLA (1957-1963), who in repeatedly accompanied Father Pedro, on his "Latin American tours", during which settled in the MFC in almost all countries of the continent.

Hortensia died with nearly hundred three years old.

Born on July 22, 1912, she married Federico on October 31, 1936. The couple had seven children, of whom two were Religious (Federico and Gabriela María) and one, Diego, was married and missionary with eight children, who served in the Argentine Chaco; the others are Hortensia, Mercedes, José, and María Dorotea.

Hortensia Soneira and Malena Gallinal were first cousins: both carry the second last name as Piñeyro Carve. Federico Soneira (son) ordered Passionist Priest and became Provincial: he ordered the return of Father Peter Richards to Buenos Aires in 1995.

Already in March 1949 Hortensia Urioste of Soneira, accompanied by his mother, interviewed Father Pedro in Montevideo and then visited the Fr. Ambrosio Geoghegan, Provincial: in this interview agreed that the Passionists would perform a mission in their stay. Once defined the mission, Hortensia said to Father Pedro: "Father, you're more than mission in the field". He replied: "If you want to do something else, help me". And it was so.

As Presidents MFC Latin-American, Federico and Hortensia participated in the IV National Assembly of the Argentine MFC, in 1962, where presented on the theme "The MFC in this hour of America". As former Presidents integrated the SPLA (Secretariat for Latin-America) in the period 1964-1967.

On December 9, 2001 Hortensia, already widowed, was present, in Buenos Aires, in celebration of the ninety years of Father Pedro Richards.

We thank God that the Holy Spirit called this great woman and ask her to intercede for the pastoral family in all of America.

(Source: SuSuSu; MFC Mexico tribute on the occasion of his death; ICCFM files)

Jiri Ludvik visit, National President of "Numerus Families" to Queretaro, Mexico.



June 28



We thank God the opportunity that He us, to have this meeting with Jiri, that for professionals reasons, he as Searcher was hired by a University of this city, Querétaro. Between his visit, We could share by four hours, which we take to the maximum sharing food in our home and valuable experiences in the walking missionary of both.

Breakfast/meeting in house of the Presidents of the ICCFM in Queretaro, we had the support of Alejandro Pavón, of the MFC in this Diocese. This short visit allowed us to a greater mutual knowledge, providing hospitality and strengthen our fraternity.

We attended Sunday mass at the Cathedral Queretaro, preceded, by Monsignor Faustino Armendariz J. Bishop of Querétaro, where had the opportunity to greet him.



(Extracted from the site and translated from the Spanish language:

[http://www.humanitas.cl/web/index.php?option=com_content & view = article & id = 3554 & catid = 362](http://www.humanitas.cl/web/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=3554&catid=362) of the Pontifical Catholic University of Chile HUMANITAS)

Giving meaning to life, to the value of being together in a "common house" because this maltreated and sacked land claims (2): is the invitation of Pope Francis in his second encyclical, Laudato Si (Praised be you), published on Thursday, June 18, in several languages.

The document consists of 191 pages of pastoral and social content. The conservative lobbies condemned a priori the Encyclical. They were right! They have what feared. In six chapters, the Pope lovingly shatters **"relativism" and "timid positions" and invites you to act now (166)**. Not only does a list of problems, but also a call to hope to find the solution.

With a "sincere and open" language aimed at all of humanity (including faithful), the Pontiff questioned the "consciences" of power, those that **they have done "nothing" to save the planet and "burn time" international "minimizing" conferences that markets do not approve (5)**.

He asserts that we must ask ourselves **"for what went through this world? for what we came to this life? to what we work and fight? for this earth need us?":**" if not we consider these questions in the essential— writes the Pontiff - "do not think that our ecological concerns to obtain important results" (160).

There are several themes, presenting the Pope with consistency throughout the text: **"the poor and the fragility of the planet", "a world in which everything is connected", "the critique of the power of technology", the call for a new economy and progress, the value of every creature, "the need for sincere and honest discussions", "discard culture and the proposal of a new style of life" (16).**

In the first chapter, Francisco deals with the relationship between pollution and climate change, misuse of water, loss of biodiversity, the inequality between rich and poor regions or "weakness of the reactions" (58) policy to what it calls "ecological debt" (51) with greater responsibilities for developed countries.

Also offers an analysis of the problems and plainly guilty of **"a happy irresponsibility" (59)** that constantly threatens to life.

It is not true, as some detractors of Francisco have suggested, be a document private of God, with few biblical quotations and agnostic. On the contrary, **the text values scientific knowledge available today (Cap.1) by and associated with the biblical teaching (chap.2)**, analyzing the origins of evil (chap.3) in selfishness, the technocracy and overconsumption.

The Pope makes proposals (Chapter 4) to arrive at an **"integral ecology that clearly incorporates the human and social dimensions" (137)**.

Pope Francis

Proposed (Chapter 5) undertake a dialogue on the environment than facilitates transparent decision-making processes. And highlights (Chapter 6) the power of education to grow without damaging the planet, with a spiritual, theological, political and ecclesial relationship.

Then, three memorable phrases of each chapter:

Chapter 1. What is happening in our House

Technology: (20) technology that, tied to finances, pretends to be the unique solution of the problems, in fact tends to be unable to see the mystery of the multiple relationships between things, and that sometimes solves a problem creating others.

Water: (30) in fact, access to safe and potable water is a basic human right, essential and universal, because it determines the survival of the people, and is thus a condition for the exercise of other human rights.

Climate change and lobbies: (49) therefore must be kept clear awareness that climate change there are diversified responsibilities, and as the United States Bishops said, is focusing "especially on the needs of the poor, weak and vulnerable, in a debate often dominated by more powerful interests".

Chapter 2. The Gospel of creation

The pride of men: (66) harmony between the creator, the humanity and all creation was destroyed by have intended to take the place of God, refusing to recognize ourselves as limited creatures.

God, paternal tenderness: (73) in the Bible, the God who frees and saves is the same that created the universe, and these two divine Act modes are intimate and inseparably connected.

Mistreat other creatures away from God: (83) the ultimate aim of the other creatures not us. But all advanced, along with us and through us, to the common term, which is God, in a transcendent fullness where risen Christ embraces and illuminates everything.

Chapter 3. The human root of the ecological crisis

Technological power in few hands: But we cannot ignore that nuclear energy, biotechnology, computer science, the knowledge of our own DNA and other capabilities that we have acquired give us tremendous power. Rather, given to those who have the knowledge, and on all the economic power to use it, an impressive domain over the whole of humanity and the whole world.

[...] In the hands of who is and can become so much power? Tremendously risky is that resides in a small part of humanity.

Economic technology which denies inclusion power: (109) the technological paradigm also tends to exercise its domination over the economics and politics [...]. The market by itself does not guarantee human development integral and social inclusion.

Persons before the business: (128) investing in people to get a greater immediate revenue is very bad business for the company."

Chapter 4. An integral ecology

Proportional to the environmental wellbeing health of institutions: Any impairment of solidarity and civic causes environmental damage (142).

Environmental problems and family, labor, urban contexts: Socio-environmental (139) no two separate crises, one environmental and other social, but a unique and complex crisis.

Integral ecology that part of the body: Our body puts us in direct relation with the environment and with other human beings. The acceptance of the body as God's gift is required to accommodate and accept the world as a gift of the father and common house; instead a logic of domination over the body itself becomes a sometimes subtle logic from domain (155).

Ecology environmental and common body: (156) in today's context "where there are so many inequities and are increasingly disposable people, deprived of basic human rights", striving for the common good means a "preferential option for the poor" (158).

Solidarity between generations, appointment of Benedict XVI: "In addition to loyal intergenerational solidarity, must reiterate the urgent moral need for a renewed solidarity between generations" (162).

Chapter 5. Some indicative and action lines

The Church invites debate and not a substitute for Science:

There are discussions on issues related to the environment, where it is difficult to reach consensus. [...]

The Church is not intended to define the scientific issues or replace the policy, but I invite a discussion honest and transparent, so that particular needs or ideologies do not affect the common good (188).

Missing international decisions: The world summits on the environment of the past few years did not respond to the expectations because, for lack of political decision, they did not achieve really significant global environmental agreements and effective (166).

The protection of the environment and the economic issue: Environmental protection do not make sure only on the basis of the financial calculus of costs and benefits. The environment is one of those goods that the market mechanisms are not able to defend or promote properly (190).

Chapter 6. Education and ecological spirituality

Education and training remain core challenges: Any change requires motivation and educational path (15). Educational environments, the first should get involved "school, family, the media, the catechesis" (213).

Change of lifestyle: An integral ecology is also made of simple everyday gestures where we break the logic of violence, of exploitation, of selfishness (230).

True happiness is not in possess: Happiness requires to know limit some necessities we stunning, leaving available for the multiple possibilities offered by life (223).

This way is possible to "feel we need each other, we have a responsibility for others and the world, which is worth being good and honest" (229).

23 - 26 October of 2015



10th Continental Asia CFM/ CFSM Conference
Bengaluru, India
23rd to 26th October 2015

Meeting the Challenges of the New Evangelization

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**The 10th Continental Asia Conference
Christian Family Movement
Christian Family & Social Movement
Montford Spirituality Centre, 184, Old Madras Road, Indira Nagar,
Bangalore - 560038, India**

THEME: MEETING THE CHALLENGES OF THE NEW EVANGELISATION

- 1.To be aware that as members of a Family Apostolate (CFM) we should be a community of Evangelizers filled with the Holy Spirit, without fear to discern the will of God in the actions of the Holy Spirit.
- 2.To foster an Evangelization more fervently, fearlessly, full of love and generosity to all families.
- 3.To understand that Jesus invited us to be missionaries to Evangelize for the greater glory of God who loves us.
- 4.To discern the ways in which the movement can renew their commitment to the family founded in the marriage between a man and a woman.

Dates: 23rd October - 26th October 2015

More information in the web site:

<http://www.cfmindia.in/?q=asianconference>

Guidelines for Internet pages

The aim is to point out general guidelines to take into account in Web pages that are generated either by the ICCFM and its member countries, with the purpose of care for the safety of the membership, compliant with stipulations in the Constitution and Bylaws of the ICCFM, carrying a faithful based on our Catholic faith and the doctrine of the Church, and care for the authorship of the articles and the veracity of them.

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1 Guidelines with respect to the content: (points to publish on the website)

a.- Articles of the ICCFM President team and headquarters team: in this aspect it is recommended to ensure compliance with the provisions of the Constitution and Bylaws of the ICCFM; respect the ICCFM structure, and foster: the objective of the ICCFM; the recitation of the rosary at family and unity among the membership as well as the enthusiasm, commitment and missionary joy to giving to Christ in the apostleship, to accommodate items of different areas, including the youth and services and in general be a website where participation is further active and cheerful of members. Examples of this are testimonies of the changes that has made the MFC in lives, meeting, Encounters, Kerygma's, Masses, Pilgrims, family meetings, etc...

b. Articles of the continental Presidents: request and publish articles from the Continental Presidents to strengthen the MFC of the different continents, foster unity and disseminate among the membership both National, Continental and Global character. Testimonials from them, their missionary work and articles related to the life of the Church in the Member countries of their continents are option for publication.

c. Articles of the Diocesan Church, National, Vatican: the participation of Priests, Religious men and women in the generation of articles; when articles of membership, take care that in faith-related issues there were are personal opinions, then shall be truths of our faith, referring to the Sacred Scriptures as well as formal documents of the Magisterium of the Church such as the Catechism of the Catholic Church, encyclicals, etc., and in the books of reference of faith taking care that they have the Imprimatur and Nihil Obstat with the corresponding reference.

d. Social-communitarian scope articles: Social aspects, should be sensitive to the social needs of the community, as well as being tuned especially with the Shepherd of your Diocese Bishop, Archbishop or Cardinal, serving his pastoral concerns with respect to the society in which it operates the diocese.

In the Communitarian aspects here is very important not to give preferences with respect to political parties, but invite civic and peaceful participation of members and always caring for is to defend the basics values of our faith, such as the right to life in all its stages. Make synergy with Social Organizations with websites goals similar to the ICCFM as well as with the Catholic Church.

e.- Several articles: In such articles could be sections for kids, crossword puzzles, recipes, ideas for household savings, articles on the care of the environment, etc., all of them what must take care not to get involved with political party, avoid articles presenting aspects of life in a negative way, If a relevant topic is search approaches it in a positive way, etc.

f.- Update: Set frequency of updating and a responsible of the pages so that it is always a current and attractive page for which access it.

2. Language: Ensure that the language simple, achievable for the community, where there were words that are not in everyday use, should be at the end of article definitions of words that are not usual, briefly and culture in these terms to the membership; if in some documents of the Church there are some words that are not familiar, could ask to a priest that will help us in scoring this definition to not change the sense of the texts, in this way helps the membership which is starting in the deeper understanding of our faith. If it possible that there is at least one small Commission that check the syntax and spelling of the page, including participating in this a member of the youth team is with the right skills. Also take care of the vocabulary as that in some regions a Word has a meaning and other place other meaning, check before you do the publications

3. Safety of persons which relate: due to the insecurity that exists in some regions, we have to take care that the information that we publish do not risk the integrity of the membership, for this avoid which publish private phones, addresses, workplaces of the membership, and other points that each who consider that it can affect the safety of members.



Internet Web Sites Guidelines

4. Security of the website itself: To keep the page web that we build safe, take care to have it at sites that have a good reputation for safety, to avoid hang on the page other sites of "Spam" advertising such as casinos, sites with pornography, viruses, is important to have the "hosting (company where the site is hosted)" or recruit a "Firewall" (wall of fire) i.e. protections that care is not operated any of the pages that has the web site.

Computer used to prepare and update the web pages should have a good antivirus updated and current, use original software (Note: on some internet sites are software free of charge issued in light versions or by non-profit organizations and some low-cost and option for page editing, however should be careful due in various cases are attached "spam" programs, for this read carefully the instructions and search for reference of these programs).

It is recommended to do a "back-up" of the website, either on an external hard drive, or in the "cloud" or other suitable means if the page is dropped or damaged a PC, you can quickly restore the web page.

In case of being a victim of a hacker, please notify the company that hosts the page "hosting".

Have scheduled due dates, and be aware of both the hosting and domain payments. Control of these activities is recommended whether by Nationals Presidents or they delegate who, as an activity of detail but quite important, if not doing so page can be lost by mistake in the renewal of the domains (it means the internet address).

5. Uses of "Social Media", facebook, twitter, Instagram, etc.:

When will have presence in media as "Organization of family" as media social very dynamic, taking care to publish articles, images and videos that are reliable source, healthy in accordance with our faith, of general interest and take care that do not contravene the information and integrity of people.

6. Links with

i. the MFC's websites: recommended to have links to other pages of MFC's especially to the ICCFM pages, this will help to not duplicate information especially in General and Normative pages, and in case of add the link, visit first that web site to make sure it is the correct link

II. Pages of the Church and / or faith: take advantage and have links to official sources of our faith among others such as the Vatican, Conferences of National and Continental Bishops, Family Ministry, the Bishopric pages u Archbishopric, Parishes pages, links to schedules of Mass, etc.

III. Other pages in general: in the case of links to other pages that do not fall into the above take care that they are keeping in agree with our faith, non-partisan, and that is safe (with "firewalls"), and in all cases prior visit the link and browse into it, to validate it's safety.

Points not foreseen and that you consider of doubt, consult in the first instance with the National Presidents to clarify specific questions or they would redirected you to whom they consider most appropriate.

06 –08 november 2015



XV ENCUENTRO LATINOAMERICANO

San Pedro Sula, Honduras
Del 6 al 8 de noviembre del 2015

LEMA

“Matrimonios y familias plenamente vivos, en la vocación y misión de la Iglesia en el mundo contemporáneo”

“La evangelización de América pasa por la familia”

San Pedro Sula, Honduras

From 6th to 8th of November of 2015

Slogan: “Marriage and Families plenty alive, in the calling and mission of the church in a contemporary world”

“The Evangelization goes through the family”

More information and inscriptions in the next links:

<http://www.mfcla.org/>

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Some activities that father Guillermo worked in CFM:

- ✓ Diocesan Ecclesial Assistant MFC in Queretaro (1987-2000).
- ✓ Ecclesial Assistant of the Secretariat for Latin America of MFC (SPLA) 2007-2009
- ✓ International Ecclesial Assistant of the Vice-Presidents for the 2010-2013 ICCFM.
- ✓ International Ecclesial Assistant – Chaplain- of the International Confederation of Christian Family Movements (ICCFM) 2013-2015, this until the date of his departure to the Father's House.

He was also at this last date, parish priest of the Parish of our Lady of Guadalupe, in Querétaro, Querétaro, where the funeral mass was presided over by Bishop Faustino Armendáriz took place and concelebrated by various Priest

Mission San Jose

Some of the events inside of those who participated, remember warmly:

- ✓ "XXIV General Assembly Latin American" AGLA as Ecclesial Assistant Latin American of the MFC, as well as participated in press conference, in November 2009.
- ✓ In the Eucharistic Celebration of the "XIV Latin American meeting" –ELA due acronym in Spanish- of MFC, October 2009, Querétaro, Mexico.
- ✓ "Extraordinary General Assembly in 2014" of the ICCFM exposing a subject about the Post-Synodal Apostolic "Evangelii Gaudium", held in Queretaro, Mexico. It was encouraging and living together with kitchen team and all the participants such as with the MFC Continental Presidents of Africa, Andrew and Bernadette Simango. Also celebrare the Eucharist on the occasion of the realization of the "Extraordinary Assembly 2014" in the Temple of Santa Clara in Queretaro, Mexico.

The proposal is to live at a higher level, but not with less intensity: *«life is enhanced giving it, and weakens in the personal insulation and comfort. In fact, those who enjoy more of life are those who leave the safety of the shore and is passionate about the Mission of communicating life to others»* Evangelii Gaudium, 10.



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- ✓ Celebration of the Eucharist in the Basilica of our Lady of Guadalupe, in the city of Mexico on the occasion of the "Extraordinary General Assembly 2014" and assisted the team to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe, explaining to the guest the meaning of the image of the Virgin of Guadalupe.
- ✓ Participation in preparatory seminar for the Congress of Families Associations, in Rome convened by the Pontifical Council for the Families. Participation of the representatives of France, Spain, Singapore, Italy, Argentina and Mexico. Review the participation with respect to the Instrumentum Laboris in the seminar convened by the PCF at the airport of the city of Mexico. He celebrated the Eucharist in the tombs of the Vatican, in November 2014, during this trip.
- ✓ Participated in the Congress of movements, groups and associations of the family at the Vatican. Rome, Italy

from 22 to 24 January 2015, with attendance at this Congress with the Plenary team of the International Confederation of Christian Family Movements where was also the Archbishop Vincenzo Paglia, President of the PCF.

- ✓ Supported the formation of MFC in the parish of St. Eligio in Rome, Italy. Whereas parish priest friend Father Joseph Alexandro in January 2015.

What important is a meeting between equals, especially the part of the Core in the pedagogy of the faith.

Thank you father William as you were.

Father William always accompanied, in the spiritual direction of the team, inviting us to read the documents of the Magisterium of the Church, those relating





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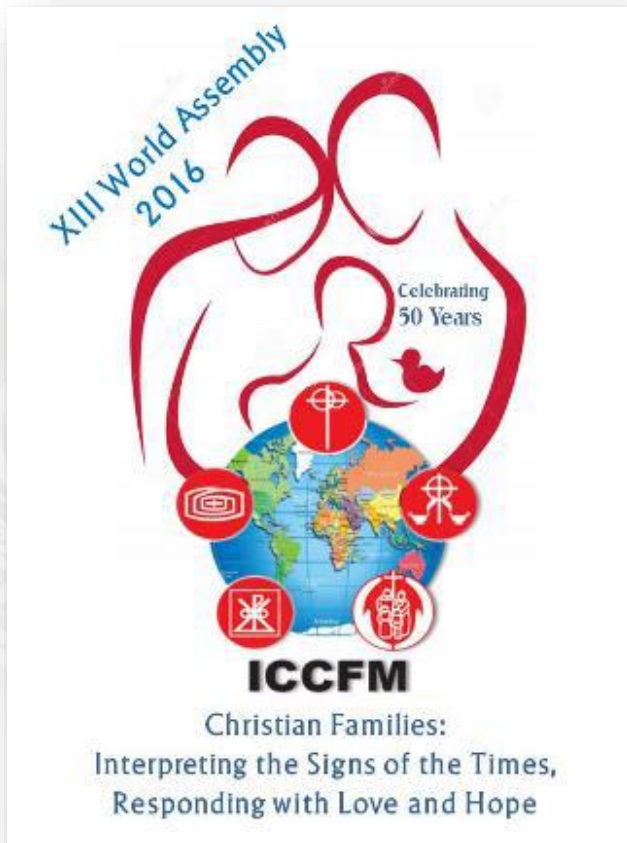
to the charism of the MFC, as well as recent documents. He had the good sense to support the growth of the team with respect to their responsibilities. This attitude is an attitude of vision regarding the lay formation. Lay the ICCFM face, was promoted by father Guillermo.

Father Guillermo,

Thank you for your support

International Confederation of Christian Family Movements





Date: 15 to 17 of July of 2016
Hosting Place: Holy Spirit
Parrish, San Antonio, Texas,
USA
Slogan: "Christian Families:
Interpreting the Signs of the
Times, Responding with Love
and hope"

Prayer for ICCFM XIII World Assembly of the Families 2016

Loving God, our Father, we thank you for all the families whom you have called to be part of the Christian Family Movements in every continent. Protect them and inspire them to have hope for the future that will benefit every family on earth.

As we prepare for the Thirteenth World Assembly of Christian Family Movements, we pray that your Spirit may continue to guide our preparations for this gathering of the CFM leaders from throughout the world.

Teach us to recognize your grace at work in the signs of the times and become missionary disciples of the joy of the Gospel. Show us how to respond with love and hope to your call to strengthen families in the light of faith in Jesus Christ.

May the Holy Family, Jesus, Mary and Joseph, be our models of love and service in our homes, in our Church, and in society.

Amen.