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# Letter from the ICCFM International Presidents

## June 29th 2017, Queretaro, Mexico.



Dear families and youths of the Christian Family Movements, members of this International Confederation, we greet you with great affection, wishing you peace and joy in our Lord Jesus, joy of knowing yourself in the mission of the Lord Himself, bringing the Gospel of the family to more families.

For the Christian Family Movements as an organization, and for its families, there are confronting great challenges outcoming that will only be faced as we consider ourselves as active parts of the Family and Youth Pastoral Ministries, and integrated into the ICCFM. In the sixth chapter of the apostolic exhortation Amoris Laetitia, there is a need to develop new pastoral paths (Cf. 199, AL), to which the leaders of the movements, in a similar way, have to pause, to evaluate our structures of service, itinerary of formation and service to the families, to evaluate if we are being answer to the families of today; If we are fulfilling our own task "Announcing the Gospel of the family today," the Synod Fathers of these synods (2014 and 2015) insisted that Christian families, through the grace of the Sacrament of Marriage, are the active subjects of family ministry, Providing "The joyous witness of spouses and families, domestic Churches", it is a topic of our families being able to experience the family's Gospel, the Gospel is joy and it fulfills our hearts and our whole lives (Cfr. 200 AL), this demands the whole Church, to look at the family as subject of evangelization, а а missionary conversion. and а recognition and taking of actions for the members of the Church to integral human assume an and Christian formation that allow us to "reach" families in their reality.



# Letter from the ICCFM International Presidents

The mission of the Church to which we belong by our baptism is to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all the places of the earth, and the ICCFM is an organization of the Church, so it is also the mission of its members. We are all called to collaborate in the mission "to be Coresponsible an Solidary as members".

The confederation is present in 43 countries on five continents, and we all seek to form a large missionary family, bringing the CFM to those countries where it does not exist yet.

Today it is presented a beautiful opportunity to support the **opening of the CFM** for the **Vietnam families**, we thank God and ask for your **prayers** to be able to achieve all, as missionary families, with our different gifts this great mission. The Asia Continental President Team is working very enthusiastic to bring this mission into **UNITY** with the International President Team, the headquarters team, and with the countries that join us in this mission.

We exhort you to reach out to more parishes in the dioceses of your country. The people worldwide have not lost the sense and importance of the family despite the efforts of groups that do not favor it and they attack it. Remember that our Lord will be with us until the end of time.

Rosalinda and Jorge Carrillo ICCFM International Presidents





Report of the meeting-dinner for the priests, men and women religious and deacons that support the MFC-Los Ángeles

## February 10th, 2017



General photo of the priests, men and women religious and deacons that support the MFC-Los Angeles that attend the meeting-dinner for them.

The celebrated ones were placed in a main table, looking for that they were all together. At the end of the dinner we sang "Amigo" and CFM-LA members danced around the table singing and expressing their gratitude.





Report of the meeting-dinner for the priests, men and women religious and deacons that support the MFC-LA

During the event a personal gift is given to each of the participants and at another time gifts are given to them.





In the end, it finishes with a dance session of the marriages that participate in the event, culminating with this, the party dedicated to all the attendees.

Blanca and Enrique Romero, MFC-LA presidents during the development of the event.





As special guests were the diocesan presidents of MFC in Tijuana (Mexico) and two more marriages, who have supported the MFC-LA in the implementation of Kerigma retreat.

We consider that **this type of personal rapprochement with the Ecclesial Assistants in the MFC-LA, are necessary**. They show gratitude and a personal interest for the priests, religious, and deacons, and it is also motivate **to "see" unity** among diocesan priests, religious priests and religious. Report of Continental President team Asia, Pip and Wilma Cua and Bishop Gerry Alminaza, of the missionary visit to Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam.



## February 20 to 24, 2017

In this misionary travel were Bishop Gerardo Alminaza, Asia Continental Chaplain; Pip & Wilma Cua, Asia Continental Presidents; and Fr. Lito Ancla Cmf, a Claretian missionary, parish priest of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Quezon City, Philippines, He speaks Vietnamese, an stayed in Vietnam for eight years.

In Vietnam, we were accompanied and assisted by Fr. Gabriel Hoang Thai Son, Cmf., a Vietnamese, who is the local Superior of the Claretian Formation House in Vietnam.



Visit to Tan Sa Chau Parish attended by Parish Priest, Vincent Nguyen H. Le Nguyen and the President of pastoral Council, Joseph Tran Viet Hop



The challenges facing the CFM in bringing it to Vietnam is huge and overwhelming. It needs the active cooperation and support of both CFM Asia and ICCFM. With God's abundant grace and the CFM united prayers, NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE!...

With the Lord's blessing, we expect the establishment of the first CFM unit in Vietnam by the first quarter of 2018.

Report of Continental President team Asia, Pip and Wilma Cua and Bishop Gerry Alminaza, of the missionary visit to Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam.



A CFM presentation was made in the visit to Tan Lap Parish, on a meeting with 100 parishioners and eight parish priests from the Vicariate.



From the reaction of the audience including the priests, there was an enthusiasm and interest on their part for the various CFM programs. Likewise, we gathered from the priests that there is no family and life ministry yet in their



parishes.

The parish priest of this Church, Fr. J.B Phạm Văn Hop served a lunch for us and parish leaders after the assembly and toured us inside the Church and the around the parish grounds.



With Parish priest of Tan Lap Parish, Fr. J.B Phạm Văn Hop are Bishop Gerry Alminaza, Presidents Pip and Wilma Cua, Fr. Lito Ancla, Fr. Gabriel and the visiting priests and participants.

priests participants. Report of Continental President team Asia, Pip and Wilma Cua and Bishop Gerry Alminaza, of the missionary visit to Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam.



Courtesy Call by Bishop Alminaza, Continental Presidents Pip and Wilma, and Fr. Lito Ancla to Archbishop Paul Bui Van Doc of the Archdiocese of Ho Chi Minh. Various Formation Books provided by ICCFM consisting of the three Level with nap Books, Pre-registration Manual, video tapes on the New Evangelization and the 60th year Foundation Souvenir program of CFM Philippines were given to Archbishop Paul Bui Van Doc.





Meeting with Fr. Louis Tuan Anl Nguyen head of the Family and Life Conference of Vietnam who gladly welcome the CFM Continental Asia Team with a great anticipation to seeing us bring the CFM family and life formation programs to Vietnam.



Prayer submitted by ICCFM Presidents Rosalinda and Jorge Carrillo for this Mission: **San Francisco Javier, Apostle of the Indies** We admires you, almost overwhelms us, your tireless commitment, your dedication absolute to the announcement of Jesus Christ.

The strength of God, the love On God, seized you, and you were transformed.



Francisco Javier: Help us to live this love, That passion for the Gospel, that loyalty always ready To take further steps. Amen

Delivery of the 2013-2016 report to Monsignor Archbishop Oscar Cantú, Bishop of Las Cruces, New Mexico, USA.





The ICCFM presidents Jorge and Rosalinda Carrillo visit the Bishop Mons. Oscar Cantu in March 10th., 2017.

Most Rev. Monsignor Oscar Cantú, Bishop of las Cruces, Nuevo México, was born December 5, 1966, in Houston, TX, the son of Ramiro and Maria de Jesus Cantú, natives of small towns near Monterey in Mexico.

He is president of the Justice and Peace Commission of the United States Episcopal Conference and representative of the Hispanic CFM (MFCC) in the Episcopal Conference of USA.

## **Objective:**

Delivery of three documents to Monsignor Oscar Cantú:

a.- Commemorative book of the ICCFM 50th anniversary.

b.- Report of activities of the ICCFM 2013-2016.

c.- Comparative analysis; Project "Evangelical Solidarity at the light of Amoris Laetitia" proposal for a change, a formation itinerary and structure of operation promoted by the ICCFM worldwide.





Delivery of the 2013-2016 report to Monsignor Archbishop Oscar Cantú, Bishop of Las Cruces, New Mexico, USA.





We accompany Monsignor Oscar in the prayer of the Holy Rosary in favor of the migrants, in front of the federal building in the Cruces, New Mexico, USA.





# Report of the ICCFM Presidents visit to the MFC in Ciudad Juarez Diocese, Chihuahua, Mexico. March 9-12, 2017

The meeting with a coordinator team of pre-sector "Cristo Rey" gave us the joy that in this team is integrated the Coordinator of Responsible Mothers of Family (single-parent families) of the pre-sector as members of the CFM. This is "living" Amoris Laetitia.





Report of the visit to the CFM in Ciudad Juárez Diocese, Chihuahua, Mexico.

Diocesan team of the CFM in Ciudad, Juarez, Chihuahua. Mexico.



Were attended to the Holy Hour of adoration to our God, in "Santa Ines" sector and at the end we greet the attendants.



After the Holy Hour, we attended a meeting with the families members of this sector. We were asked for a description of the ICCFM and its work. After, we had a questions and answers session.

Drawing that the girl Ana Paola (daughter of the area II secretaries) gave us. We are Rosalinda and Jorge





Question and answer session, about ICCFM activities.



### March 11th, 2017

We participated in "Radio Guadalupana" program from 9 to 10 am, the program is on charge of the MFC, it's called "Growing in Family" and presents family topics.

The program is led by the Priest Omar Gutierrez García (diocesan assistant of CFM), Jesus Flores, Francisco and Mariam Velasco Arce and Wilberto and Mildred Lara Lara CFM presidents of the Ciudad Juarez diocese).





Report of the visit to the CFM in Ciudad Juárez Diocese, Chihuahua, Mexico.

March 11th, 2017 "Meeting of women with Christ"



With the Responsible Mothers team, (Single Parent Families).

They held a conference to all public on the occasion of International Women's Day. We took part in the welcome.





### March 12th, 2017

On the 44 channel of Ciudad Juarez television, the celebration of the Holy Mass is transmitted on Sundays from 9:00 to 10:00 am.

We attended the same and at the end the Priest Eziquio Treviso, Ecclesial Assistant of the MFC since two years ago and spokesman of the diocese of Ciudad Juarez, made comments on the responsibility to support the migrants and promoted support to the migrant's home in Ciudad Juarez with the round-up campaign in a chain commercial.

The Father asked us to come to the front and to briefly comment on it; We comment on the importance of Latin American migrants in the world, specifically Catholics whose presence in the case of MFC are present in Australia, Sweden, Spain and the United States. Upcoming World Assemblies 2019 "XIV World Assembly of Families" and "XVIII General Assembly of the ICCFM"







Report of the Adoption of the "Evangelical Solidarity" Project by MFC-Los Angeles "MFC-LA" in Los Angeles, California, USA.

# march 2017

Saint John Paul II said: "The Christian family, is a missionary or is not a Christian family" "Give from our economic limitations"

The "Evangelical Solidarity" Project offers to the countries a basic, systematic and integrated formation itinerary, based on processes, an structure of service to the achievement of the objectives for supporting families. This itinerary presents to the married couple a dynamic path of development and personal, conjugal and family fulfillment, that impacts on society.

We thank God and we communicate with gratitude that the MFC-Los Angeles, has decided to take on the "Evangelical Solidarity" Project as an itinerary formation and structure of operation

in its evangelizing action.







In addition, they –MFC-LA- join to Saint Joseph Mission and support the ICCFM with the costs of translating the "FORMATION FOR PARENTS" material into the English language, the reality that allows us to offer it as a support to the Christian Family Movements affiliated to the ICCFM. The estimated cost of the translation and the presentation of two books and DVDs is of US \$ 3,000. This fact fills us with joy, that the **MFC-LA** will join the mission, **Thanks. Glory to God.** 

This material is not only for members, is a service to the families of the community.

Malawi, Africa / New National Presidents of the CFM Malawi, Africa march, 2017

Kervin and Eunice Chifunda, New National Presidents of the CFM Malawi, Africa



Andrew and Bernardette Simango, Continental Presidents ICCFM in Africa



Rev. Vincent Mwakhwawa Assistant National CFM









Malawi, África / New National Presidents of the MFC Malawi, Africa

Patricia and Elias Lazaro, outgoing Presidents make delivery of files.





Meeting of the new delivery team Malawi national and preparation of plans for the training of leaders for the implementation of the evangelical solidarity project



We will be in prayers for the **New National Team** of **CFM Malawi** and in which the ICCFM can support them





SYNOD OF BISHOPS, XV ORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY Young people, the Faith and Vocational discernment PREPARATORY DOCUMENT, october 2018



Proclaiming the joy of the Gospel is the mission entrusted by the Lord to his







For each person, the vocation to love takes concrete form in everyday life

Church. The Synod the New on Evangelization and the Apostolic Exhortation Evangelii Gaudium treated how to accomplish this mission in today's world. The two synods on the family and the Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation Amoris Laetitia were, instead, dedicated to helping families find this joy.

In keeping with this mission and introducing a new approach through a Synod with the topic, "Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment"

### OBJECTIVE

The Church has decided to examine herself on how she can lead young people to recognize and accept the call to the fullness of life and love, and to ask young people to help her in identifying the most effective ways to announce the Good News today. through a series of choices, whether these choices are willfully made or simply accepted, either consciously or unconsciously, no one is excluded from making these choices. The purpose of vocational discernment is to find out how to transform them, in the light of faith, into steps towards the fullness of joy to which everyone is called.

With this in mind, the present Preparatory Document begins the synod's phase of consultation of the entire People of God. This document addressed to the synods and councils of Hierarchs of the Eastern Catholic Churches, the episcopal conferences, the dicasteries of the Roman Curia and the Union of Superiors General concludes with a questionnaire with 18 questions, three of these specific for each geographical area, in order to take into account the different continental situations. SYNOD OF BISHOPS, XV ORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY Young people, the Faith and Vocational discernment PREPARATORY DOCUMENT





This Preparatory Document suggests a reflection in three steps.

1.- Beginning with summarily outlining some of the social and cultural dynamics of the world in which young people grow and make their decisions, to propose a read in the light of faith.

2.-The document then retraces the fundamental steps of the process of discernment, which the Church wants to offer to youths, so they can discover, in the light of faith, their own vocation.

3.- Finally, the document treats key points of a pastoral vocational for youths.

The document, therefore, is not exhaustive, but serves as a kind of route map to foster a research, whose fruits will be available only at the conclusion of the Synod. The answer of the survey would be the base of the working document or Instrumentum Laboris, that will be the reference point for the discuss of the Synodals fathers in October of 2018



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The consultation will also include all young people through a website with questions on their expectations and their lives. in the web page <a href="http://youth.synod2018.va/content/synod2018/it.html">http://youth.synod2018.va/content/synod2018/it.html</a> that redirects to the next link <a href="https://survey-synod2018.glauco.it/limesurvey/index.php/147718">https://survey-synod2018.va/content/synod2018/it.html</a> that redirects to the next link <a href="https://survey-synod2018.glauco.it/limesurvey/index.php/147718">https://survey-synod2018.glauco.it/limesurvey/index.php/147718</a> (Before: <a href="https://www.sinodogiovani2018.va">www.sinodogiovani2018.va</a>)

Guillermo and María Elena Novelo Secretariat of Formation





## HELPING MOTHERS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FAMILY



DESCRIPTION. Groups conformed of single mothers, meeting every other week, coordinated by a trained single mother. The meetings last 2 hrs. And it always ends with a personal commitment. There is an especial Kerygma retreat for single mothers.

The formation seeks to enrich the members and family project of life, developing their personal resources, strengthening their evangelizing skills and values that give unity and strength to the family. Its thematic axis are the "Human Development, Christian Faith and Responsible Motherhood".

LANGUAGES: Spanish, English



HELPING MOTHERS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FAMILY



SUPPORT LEVEL FROM THE ICCFM: indispensable

**PEDAGOGY OF FAITH:** Mystics or spirituality, technique or reason, environment DURATION 2 years, each of 10 months

#### SUPPORTING MATERIAL

There is a book for each single mother and for each year. And there is a guide book for the coordinator. Excellent support material to train coordinators

#### METHODOLOGY: See-Judge-Act







## YOUNG FORMATION COURSE



DESCRIPTION. Groups conformed of young people, from 16 to 25 year old, gathered every week, coordinated by a trained young person. Meetings of 2 hrs. It always ends with a personal commitment. There is also a retreat in each year, starting with the Kerygma and three general meetings per year. There is an introductory course.

There are several training courses for coordinators. The coordinators of the adolescent program can be reached from this program.

LANGUAGES: Spanish





SUPPORT LEVEL FROM THE ICCFM: necessary

PEDAGOGY OF FAITH: Mystics or spirituality, technique or reason, environment



## FORMATION FOR TEENS



DESCRIPTION. Groups conformed by teenagers, from 12 to 15, meeting every other week, coordinated by a trained young. Meetings of 2 hrs., and it always ends with a personal commitment.

The training material follows a systematic, gradual and progressive process that manages to change attitudes, skills and ideas. Content covers the dimensions of "Self-love," "others," "God," "family," and "creation."

LANGUAGES: Spanish English



DURATION 3 years, each of 10 months

SUPPORTING MATERIAL

There is a book for each teen and for each year. And there is a quide book for the coordinator.

METHODOLOGY: See-Judge-Act

> SUPPORT LEVEL FROM THE ICCFM: necessary

PEDAGOGY OF FAITH: Mystics or spirituality, technique or reason, environment

2 years, each of 10 months

DURATION

There is a book for each young and for each year. And there is a guide book a manual for "fishing", an

SUPPORTING MATERIAL

for the coordinator. There is Organization Manual book and a Kerygma book for young people.

METHODOLOGY: See-Judge-Act



### TRAINING FOR PARENTS WORKSHOP



DESCRIPTION. Conformed by groups of parents (with small children), not more than 24 people, meeting every week in meetings of 2.5 hrs., coordinated for one or two coordinators with experience. Meetings always ends with a personal commitment.

The main goal is for parents to develop a more effective and satisfying relationship with their children.

LANGUAGES: Spanish, and soon English



SUPPORT LEVEL FROM THE ICCFM: minimal



DURATION 7 Sessions

### SUPPORTING MATERIAL

Book for the participant and manual for the coordinator, as well as videos and other supports.

METHODOLOGY: See-Judge-Act



## TRAINING IN LOVE WORKSHOP



DESCRIPTION. Conformed by groups of 10 to 25 members from 18 to 23 years old, gathering periodically, in sessions of 2 hrs., coordinated by a coordinator with experience. Meetings always ends with a personal commitment.

These workshops are intended to help young people to form their interior and to prepare themselves to take on their vocational projects and life in a deeply awareness and committed way.

LANGUAGES: Spanish, English



SUPPORT LEVEL FROM THE ICCFM: minimal

PEDAGOGY OF FAITH: Mystics or spirituality, technique or reason, environment DURATION 14 Sessions

SUPPORTING MATERIAL Book for the participant and manual for the coordinator, as well as videos and other supports.

METHODOLOGY: See-Judge-Act





### INMEDIATE PREPARATION TO MARRIAGE COURSE



DESCRIPTION. Groups are conformed by of young couples close to marriage, reunited periodically, coordinated by an experienced coordinator. Sessions last 2 hrs.

The eight themes of the course are basic and fundamental for those couples who wish to start their marriage with the "right foot".

LANGUAGES: Spanish



SUPPORT LEVEL FROM THE ICCFM: minimal

> PEDAGOGY OF FAITH: Mystics or spirituality, technique or reason, environment

**DURATION** 8 Sessions

#### SUPPORTING MATERIAL:

Book for the participant and manual for the coordinator, as well videos and other resources.

METHODOLOGY: See-Judge-Act



CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP, MODULE 1



DESCRIPTION. The session for Christian leaders can be personal or it can be set to be given to a group. Includes 6 self-reflections.

A Christian leader is both a faithful "steward" of God and a "servant" of those who has been called by Him to lead. A "steward" believes that everything he has and is, are a gift from God.

LENGAUGES: Spanish, English CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP PROGRAM #1 ICCFM SUPPORT LEVEL FROM THE ICCFM: not necessary

**PEDAGOGY OF FAITH:** Mystics or spirituality, technique or reason, environment



One session of 2 hrs.

DURATION

introduction/presentation of the workshop and has a Power Point slideshow for the presentation of the theme.









#### INTRODUCTORY COURSE TO THE DURATION SOCIAL DOCTRINE OF THE CHURCH 12 on line, sessions DESCRIPTION. For Christian leaders of organizations, groups or parishes and people of good faith. For those enrolled in the SUPPORTING MATERIAL program, a topic will be presented at each session for study. There The theme and supporting will be an evaluation based on the questionnaires answered, selfmaterial will be presented assessment and / or testing. online through the ICCFM With this course we propose to encourage the action of website organizations, parishes and dioceses, in the social field, from its various ministries, as a further path of fruitful and living evangelization. PEDAGOGY OF LENGAUGES : FAITH: Spanish English METHODOLOGY: Mystics or See-Judge-Act spirituality, technique or 201 ю CURSO INTRODUCTORIO A LA DOCTRINA SOCIAL DE LA IGLESIA CATOLICA reason. SUPPORT LEVEL environment FROM THE ICCFM: DIRIGIDO POR LA CIMEC autodidact y Mitaleou y son consumentaria. A texa és de sete curso reas proponemos enimer la soción de ustadas, en organizaciones, perosquies y Di és nel compo social, desde sus diversos ministerios perticularmente de los lacos pertenecientes e organis que forman nuestra Confederación (CMPC), como un camino más de Evangelización fecunda y viva

# Report of the "2nd face-to-face meeting of the ICCFM headquarters team" from April 17th to 20th of 2017



**Assistants**: Guillermo and Marielena Novelo, Formation Secretary; Edgar and Cinthya Montalvo Arcega, secretary of Unity and solidarity; Sergio and Dora Treviño Cruz, vicepresidents; Fr. Saúl Ragoitia Vega, international assistant and Rosalinda and Jorge Carrillo, International presidency. **Date:** April 17th to 28th 2017

**Place**: Las Vegas Nevada, USA. (where Edgar and Cinthya reside and their children)

**Objective:** Monitoring and control of action lines, programs and commitments of the ICCFM of the 2016-2019 period.

It carried out the topic development contained in this second meeting agenda, to follow-up, support and control of the programmed activities.



Report of the "2nd face-to-face meeting of the ICCFM headquarters team"



The attention to the quadrennial for the United Nations report Economic and Social Committee (ECOSOC) of the was most importance, the requirements for filling it, 400 maximum words and to deliver on June 1st of this year; Otherwise, the registration of this ECOSOC committee may be lost.

This report relates the global activities of the CIMFC to the ECOSOC objectives and thus to those of the UN.

**Thank God** the total number of topics contained in the agenda before this meeting was covered. On Saturday and Sunday (April 22nd and 23rd) in Los Angeles, we took advantage of the trip and presented the project "Evangelical solidarity" to the MFC-LA.

# Submission of the Quadrennial Report Period 2013 to 2017 to ECOSOC of United Nations



The ICCFM as a member of the UN as consultative status submit a report every 4 years to United Nations. The electronic report was submmited on May 5, 2017 by Patricia Nora Macip and Miguel Angel Zuñiga representatives of the ICCFM at ECOSOC.

### **BOX 1. INTRODUCTION**

The International Confederation of Christian Family Movements is focused on the care and promotion of families in 43 countries currently located on the five different continents.



Submission of the Quadrennial Report Period 2013 to 2017 to to ECOSOC of United Nations

## **BOX 2. PURPOSE**

Promote, encourage and help their confederates to continue growing in love for God and acquaintances with prayer and service to other families, as proclaimed by the Gospel and the magisterium of the Catholic Church.

It supports the expansion in countries where they are already established and strives to establish it where it doesn't exist.

# BOX 3. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES OF THE ORGANIZATION

The Executive Team Headquarters moved to Querétaro, Mexico in 2013.

# BOX 4. ORGANIZATION'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE UNITED NATIONS.

- 1. Training programs for families, youth and adolescents.
- 2. Congresses and local, national, and international assemblies for the family.



- 3. Immediate preparation for marriage and marriage encounters
- 4. Psychological counseling to marriages in conflict.
- 5. Courses of natural family planning and responsible parenting
- 6. Service to non-Christian families.

# BOX 5. PARTICIPATION IN UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCES

Participated in the Congress of Religious Freedom, April 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at the United Nations Headquarters in New York, promoted by CitizenGo with the support of the Vatican delegation.

# **UNITED NATIONS. Millennium Development Goals**





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# BOX 6. YOUR ORGANIZATION'S COOPERATION WITH THE UNITED NATIONS COMMITTEES.

Permanent participation of Csaba and Greta Horvath, confederation delegates and council members of Vienna NGO Committee on the Family.

## BOX 7. INITIATIVES TAKEN IN SUPPORT OF THE MILLENNIUM GOALS

Work has been done on points 4, 5 and 16 of the 17 established

4. Quality Education:. We work hard in training in Human and Christian Values with 120,000 nuclear families, 5,000 single-parent families, 30,000 youth and adolescents. Graduating approximately 60,000 every 4 years.

5. Gender Equality:. We are working on Women's Empowerment by integrating a training program for single-parent families where women are head of the household, to date we have 5,000 families.

16. Peace, Justice and strong institutions: Los objetivos de los itinerarios de formación para familias, jóvenes y adolescentes de los movimientos en su contenido formativo fomenta la vivencia de la paz, la justicia, el respeto y la igualdad



4. QUALITY EDUCATION: WE WORK HARD IN TRAINING IN HUMAN AND CHRISTIAN VALUES WITH 120,000 NUCLEAR FAMILIES, 5,000 SINGLE-PARENT FAMILIES, 30,000 YOUTH AND ADOLESCENTS. GRADUATING APPROXIMATELY 60,000 EVERY 4 YEARS.



5. GENDER EQUALITY: WE ARE WORKING ON WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT BY INTEGRATING A TRAINING PROGRAM FOR SINGLE-PARENT FAMILIES WHERE WOMEN ARE HEAD OF THE HOUSEHOLD, TO DATE WE HAVE 5,000 FAMILIES.



16. PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS: THE OBJECTIVES OF THE TRAINING ITINERARIES FOR FAMILIES, YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADOLESCENTS OF THE MOVEMENTS IN THEIR FORMATIVE CONTENT PROMOTE THE EXPERIENCE OF PEACE, JUSTICE, RESPECT AND EQUALITY.



# 8 th. ICCFM European Congress 2017



"8° European Congress of the Families of the ICCFM"

To all European families; Retreat House Marielund of the Stockholm diocese Sweden. From 11 to 13 of August of 2017.

# We will wait for you!



"Christian Family Movements, in face of the challenge of response to Amoris Laetitia"

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María Carmen and Robert Kimball ICCFM Europe Continental Presidents robertkimballp@gmail.com

MEC – MFCC Sweden team , where this Movement in Sweden is the host country of the 8th ICCFM European Congress Who are waiting for us with enthusiasm and joy..

Photo during a meeting of the Swedish team held at the site of the congress retreat house Marielund, a movement to which the new Cardinal of Stockholm Mons. Anders Arborelius, always gave much support - also in the photo.

(Stiftsgården Marielund) Is situated on Lake Mälaren in Ekerö - in the seclusion of the countryside on the outskirts of Stockholm. A meeting place for adults and children and teenagers.





Report of the presentation of the ICCFM team of the "Evangelical Solidarity" Project to the MFC-LA. Los Angeles, CA, United States.

# April 017



The ICCFM headquarters team, the MFC LA presidents and assistant priest, with Monseigneur Jose H. Gomez, Archbishop of Los Angeles, California.

MFC-LA team, in the presentation of the bibliographic material of the "Evangelical Solidarity" Project.





1.-Initial Prayer.

- 2.-Message from the International assistant priest, Fr. Saul Ragoitia
- 3.-General presentation of the "Evangelical Solidarity" Project, ICCFM Presidents.
- 4.-Presentation of "Formation itinerary for nuclear families". By Formation secretariat.
- 5.-Presentation of the "Service structure". Secretaries of Unity and Co-responsibility.
- 6.-Presentation of the "Organization Manual". Vice-Presidents.
- 7.-Summary and commitments; Next steps for implementation. Presidents of the ICCFM





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Presentation of the headquarters team of the ICCFM and continental presidents of North America Juanita and Wilbur Hooker

Presentation of the "Evangelical Solidarity" Project in general by the Presidents of the ICCFM, Rosalinda Campos and Jorge Carrillo.

The event was in the parish auditorium of "Maria Auxiliadora" where the presentation took place.





Edgar and Cinthya Montalvo from the ICCFM Unity and Co-responsibility and Finance Secretariat presenting the "Service structure"

Guillermo and Marielena Novelo, ICCFM Formation Secretariat presenting the "Formation itinerary for nuclear families"



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Sergio and Dora Treviño, ICCFM Vice-Presidents, presenting the importance of the Organization Manual in the implementation of the project "Evangelical Solidarity"



At the final sesión of Questions and Answers, about the Project

Next Event of Continent of Latino America is: XXVIII General Assembly Latin-American (AGLA) Place: Santo Domingo , Dominican Republic Date: from November 3rd – 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017



## XXVIII ASAMBLEA GENERAL LATINOAMERICANA (XXVIII AGLA)

**MOVIMIENTO FAMILIAR CRISTIANO** Santo Domingo, República Dominicana 2017





Monterrey, Nuevo León, México Mayo del 2017 Missionary visit to Uruguay Movimiento Familiar Cristiano Latin- American



# April 25 to 28, 2017

Missionary visit to Uruguay of the Continental Presidents of the Latin-American / "Movimiento Familiar Cristiano Latinoamericano" from April 25th – 28th, 2017



First host house of MFC Uruguay, built by CFM'ers.

Objective

- 1. Understand the reality of the MFC in Uruguay and look for an area of opportunity from the SPLA to support the CFM in Uruguay.
- 2. Visit the historic sites of the MFC's cradle. Participants of the missionary journey:
- Presidents of MFC Latin-American Ricardo and Lucía Araujo, Assistant Priest MFCLA the Father Jose Ines Hernandez, OSJ; Coordinator couple of Zone III, Alicia and Marcos Álvarez.

They were received by the National Presidents of the MFC Julio and Mariana Horta who provided with lodging to MFCLA presidents. Father Ines hosted by the marriage of Sylvia and Fernando Hughes and Alicia and Marcos hosted by the marriage of Adriana and Kenneth Irving.



There were several missionary work visits with the MFC Uruguay, to the Cardinal Daniel Sturdla SBD, to the Catholic University of Uruguay and Historic sites for the Latin American MFC.





Missionary visit to Uruguay Movimiento Familiar Cristiano Latin- American



Meeting with the Uruguay National team



Meeting with the Rector of the Catholic University of Uruguay, Father Julio Cesar Fernandez



Movimiento Familiar Cristiano Latinoamericano 2013-2017

Visita Misionera a Uruguay 25-28 de Abril del 2017





Lucía y Ricardo Araujo Castro Presidentes Latinoamericanos del MFC

"La evangelización de América pasa por la familia"



Meeting with the el Cardinal Mons. Daniel Fernando Sturla Berhouet S.D.B., the MFCLA Presidents, Zone III Coordinators, and National Presidents of Uruguay



Visit to the Apostolic Nuncio el 03rd April y to His Eminence the Archbishop of Colombo, SRI LANKA on 01st April 2017

## april, 2017



MEMBER: International Confederation of Christian Family Movements

#### GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATION OF THE SRI LANKA CHRISTIAN FAMILY MOVEMENT

By Pip and Wilma Cua President, CFM Continental Asia

On 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017, we joined as esteemed guests of honor together with our Continental Asia Chaplain Bishop Gerardo Alminaza the celebration of the Sri Lanka Christian Family Movement's  $50^{th}$  Anniversary. The affair started with the hoisting of different flags –

- a. National Flag by His Eminence Malcolm Cardinal Ranjith
- b. Papal Flag by His Lordship Gerado Alminaza
- c. CFM Flag by Rev. Fr. Sunil Kumara, CFM Chaplain

at the church entrance of the St. Anne's Church of Wattala accompanied by the melodious, gentle and warm music rendered by the St. Anne's Convent Eastern Band. The lighting of the traditional oil lamp followed. The highlight of the affair is a thanksgiving mass in commemoration of its golden jubilee. The chief celebrant of this mass was His Eminence Dr. Malcolm Cardinal Ranjith, with Bishop Alminaza as a co-celebrator.

A sumptuous lunch followed with the two hundred plus guests, invitees and CFM members to the reception hall of Clement's Restaurant & Banquet Hall. The CFM Sri Lanka President couple, Janaka and Rashika Silva, enthusiastically welcomed the guests and members following the Golden Jubillee opening prayer rendered by Rev. Fr. Basil Wickremasinghe. Bishop Alminaza delivered an inspirational speech as Special Guest of Honor. We were also asked and so we rendered a challenging talk on the next 50 years of Sri Lanka. We asked them not only to continue CFM programs to work in having more CFM units in different parts if their country but also to help us bring CFM beyond its borders. The head of the Family and Life Ministry of Sri Lanka, Rev. Fr. Claude Nonis, delivered a talk on the on theme of the jubilee which centered on family and life.

After 50 years of CFM in Sri Lanka, we could sense a higher lever of maturity and a renewed commitment specially with the entry of young leaders like Janaka and Rashika who are still in their 40s.

We look forward to work closely and get more inputs from CFM SRI LANKA in their programs and hopefully, the holding of the next CFM Continental Asia Convention in 2018 in their beautiful country which displays a rich colonial heritage with a potpourri of races, religions and cultures.

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Welcome Ceremony at St. Anne's Church









HOISTING OF FLAG A. National Flag – by His Eminence Malcolm Cardinal Ranjith B. Papal Flag - by His Lordship Gerado Alminaza C. CFM Flag – by Rev. Fr. Sunil Kumara, CFM Chaplain



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Photos with Sri Lanka past Presidents Hector and Dayani Peiris as well in the other photo Mr. Vivian Silva



Visit to the Family of the CFM Presidents Janaka and Rashika Silva with daughter and two sons



CFM Sri Lanka GOLDE Jubilee Holy Mass





Visit to the Apostolic Nuncio el 03rd April y to His Eminence the Archbishop of Colombo on 01st April 2017



Courtesy call to Papal Nuncio Archbishop Pierre Nguyen Van Tot





Visit to a community in Sri Lanka by Bishop Gerardo A. Alminaza Pre\_Cana Talk to a group of Marriage Counsellors by Bishop Gerardo A. Alminaza







Meeting of the ICCFM Presidents with the H.E. Cardinal Carlos Aguiar Retes, Archbishop of Tlalnepantla, México.

# 05 May 2017

Presentation and delivery of the ICCFM 50 years commemorative book and the 2013-2016 ICCFM actions general report to the Monsignor Cardinal Carlos Aguiar Retes.







Confederación Internacional de Movimientos Familiares Cristianos



Informe General de acciones de la ICCFM Iccfm's actions general report

> Rosalinda Campos y Jorge Carrillo Presidentes internacionales de la CIMFC Periodo 2013 - 2016

Monsignor Carlos tells us some of his innovative projects of evangelization, he listens to us and makes us some remarks. Sheep-scented shepherd.

Rosalinda and Jorge Carrillo, H. E. Cardinal Carlos Aguiar Retes and Paty and Miguel Angel Zuñiga. With great joy, Monsignor Cardinal Carlos tells us that his parents were members of the Christian Family Movement in Mexico.



Interview report with H.E. Cardinal Carlos Aguiar Retes, Archbishop of Tlalnepantla, México.

A line of action of our team is the unity with our church and communion with our bishops, priests and religious orders. That is why within our goals, it is to give personally, copy of the work to the bishops with whom we have a direct relationship on the part of the ICCFM



Meeting with the United States Apostolic Nuncio Archbishop Mons. Christophe Pierre by the Continental Presidents Team of North America and ICCFM President team.



On December 14, 15 and 16, Wilbur and Juanita Hooker and Fr. Nelson Trinidad traveled to Washington, DC; invited by Jorge and Rosalinda Carrillo and Fr. Saúl Ragoitia to visit the Apostolic Nuncio in the United States: H. E. R. Monsignor Christophe Pierre.

The objective of the meeting was to present to the Nuncio a report on the activities of the international Presidents of the ICCFM like their activities and job performance as Christian family movements in North America.



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#### The 1st part of the interview

1.- Jorge y Rosalinda presented the three-year activity report 2013-2016 by the ICCFM.

2.- They commented on the activities or commitments in each of the continents

3.- They informed that they will be serving as Presidents of the ICCFM in the next three year since they were reelected for 2016-2019.

4.- We were Introduced as the new ICCFM Continental Team for North America.



### Part 2 of the Meeting:

Was presented to the Nuncio, by the

Hookers' Couple and Fr. Nelson North America - Continental team-, the report of the activities carried out in North America and Canada as Christian Family Movements like:

- 1.- Membership and presence in Canada and the United States.
- 2.- Services to Families
- 3.- ICCFM NA service and structure
- 4.- What are the members of our movement doing to promote Christian life and spirituality.



Meeting with the Apostolic Nuncio in U.S.A. H.E Monsignor Christophe Pierre.

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In the main office of the Apostolic Nunciature prepared by North America Continental team from the US and Canada Movements



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Letter received from Nuncio Christophe Pierre, after the visit.



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Prot. N. 1808/17

January 11, 2017

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Hooker,

I wish to acknowledge your letter of December 30, 2016, following up on your visit to the Nunciature on December 15<sup>th</sup> with Father Ragoitia and Father Trinidad. Having known the Movimento Familiar Cristiano in Mexico, I was happy to learn of the activities of the ICCFM in the United States, in light of the two recent Synods on the Family and the Apostolic Exhortation *Amoris Laetitia* of Pope Francis, which builds upon the teaching of Saint John Paul II in his Apostolic Exhortation *Familiaris Consortio*.

In *Amoris Laetita* (n. 88), His Holiness notes that "The experience of love in families is a perennial source of strength for the life of the Church." The efforts of the International Confederation of Christian Family Movements represents a source of encouragement for families and a true means of evangelization of the family, the first cell of society and a true cradle of love. With its dedicated members and profound witness, the ICCFM is a true sign of hope for families. I want to assure you of my support and prayers for this truly pastoral work.

Commending you, your staff and members of the ICCFM to the loving intercession of Mary, Queen of Families, the Holy Father cordially imparts his Apostolic Blessing as a pledge of strength and peace in Christ Jesus.

Offering you my own prayerful best wishes, I remain with cordial regards,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Archbishop Christophe Pierre Apostolic Nuncio

Mr. and Mrs. Wibur and Juanita Hooker US and Canada, Continental Representatives of The International Confederation of Christian Family Movements Our Lady of Guadalupe Church (Rosehill) Pastoral Center 4509 Mercury Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90032



Report of the Continental Presidents Team of North America – ICCFM.

On February 10, 2016, meeting with Mons. Jose Horacio Gomez, Archbishop of Los Angeles, California. U.S.A. by Wilbur and Juanita Hooker and Jorge and Rosalinda Carrillo, in occasion of the invitation from MFC - Los Angeles to participate in their Annual Dinner in Honor of the Spiritual Advisors, where Father Nelson helps to make this meeting possible.

#### Objective:

To introduce ourselves (Wilbur and Juanita and Fr. Trinidad) to Monsignor Jose H. Gomez as the Continental Presidents team of the ICCFM and deliver a report of the activities carried from CFM-USA, MFCC-Also submit to Bishop Jose what ICCFM does in the USA and the World.



Fr. Nelson Trinidad, Wilbur and Juanita Hooker – Continental Team North America-Los Angeles Archbishop Jose Gómez, Rosalinda and Jorge Carrillo and Saúl Fr. Ragoitia –ICCFM President team.

Development of the meting:

1.- Delivery of a commemorative 50 years anniversary ICCFM book.

(Presidents of the ICCFM)

2.- Delivery and explanation of the triennial report of the presidency of the ICCFM period 2013-2016.

3.- Delivery of Report with situations of the CFM's in the USA, by the Continental Presidency team.

4.- The Bishop Gomez suggested that we send more information from the CFM's to all the bishops of the area so that they

can learn more about the Movements.

Later we had a meeting in Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish with the ICCFM president team President about matters relating to the lines of action to be developed in this period of apostolic work. Was analyzed the suggestions of Bishop Gómez and taking advantage of the fact that he is also Vice-President of the Episcopal Conference of the USA, and would help to attend a meeting with them.



## Report of the Continental Presidents Team of North America – ICCFM.

#### CFM-USA Winter Board meeting Jan 27– Jan 29/2017

CFM USA Board meeting, North American Continental Presidents were invited by John and Mary Poprac Presidents of the CFM-USA. In their agenda there were many relevant points how CFM can growth and be better. Some points from Saturday agenda were:

Opening Prayer; Membership Summary;

Board Outreach to Local Group; CFM Expansion Efforts; "Domestic Church" and other Family programs available; Programming /Ops and structure; Programming II / Dialogue about Embracing the Mission; Meetings and Conventions Winter 2018; Finance and had the Mass.



Members of the Board of CFM-USA present: Sean and Juliette Tirone, John and Jule Ward, Rick and Sandy Hoenig, Jason and Brigid Smith, John and Mary Proprac, Wilbur and Juanita Hooker, Brian and Mary Ann Thelen, John (taking the photo) and Lauri Przybysz, Steve and Donna MacCullough, and the Bishop George

Rassas, Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago.

<u>MFC-Los Angeles 2017-2020 MFC LA Presidents Elections</u> on January 29, were part of the electoral commission (Wilbur and Juanita), to elect new Presidents.

As part of the MFC-Los Angeles, have been participated in many of the activities of MFC LA. Currently working with our team, father Nelson, Rosa and Sergio, to finish the statutes; as soon we finish will send it to all the Presidents of the North America movements for approval. Also almost finished a Continental logo. Are working to have a website running by June. And planning a Continental Assembly on 2018.

Finally a couple Sergio and Rosa Rodriguez, is integrated as part of the Continental team NA, and is in plans to integrate other one. The Rodriguez Marriage have been married by 19 years and has 16 years of being members of the MFC LA. They Has four children, Sergio's 19 years, Jesse's 13 years, Marcos's 9 years, and Danny of 5 years.





Report of meeting with His Excellency Monsignor Franco Coppola, Apostolic Nuncio in Mexico.

## May 23, 2017

## S. E. Mons. Franco Coppola, Archbishop of Vinda, Apostolic Nuncio in Mexico



Pope Francis announced that Franco Coppola, then representative of the Vatican in the Central African Republic and Chad, had appointed to him as Pontifical Nuncio of the Holy See in Mexico in replacement of Christophe Pierre, who was nine years in the country, and now is Nuncio in USA.

The Archbishop of Vinda is 59 years old (born March 31, 1957) in Maglie, Lecce Province, Italy, and is a doctor in canon law. The new Apostolic Nuncio to Mexico entered the diplomatic service of the Vatican in July 1993 and speaks in addition to its native language, French, Spanish and English. He has been a representative of the Vatican in countries of high internal conflict. He has served diplomatic services in the pontifical representations in Lebanon, Burundi, Colombia and Poland.



Rosalinda Campos and Jorge Carrillo, Pbro. Saul Ragoitia and S. E. Monsignor Franco Coppola Apostolic Nuncio. The meeting was very gratifying and about an hour and fifteen minutes.

Reports delivered to the Apostolic Nuncio in Mexico were a Commemorative book for the 50th anniversary of the International Confederation of Christian Family Movements (CIMFC) and the three-year report on the activities of the Confederation team 2013-2016. Interview report with His Excellency Monsignor Franco Coppola, Apostolic Nuncio in Mexico.



In the conversation we presented the project "Evangelical Solidarity" among the various training itineraries of the ICCFM, we listened and recommended the following three points to be taken into account.

1.-Encourage or accompany the families that once they finish the Basic Formation Cycle, that do not continuing



in the CFM.

2.-Formation of leaders in the field of education, work and politics

3.-Training should not only be to work in parishes, to work more in the fields of education, culture, work and politics, etc., and the importance of the training of children, adolescents and young people.



ICCFM UN representative at New York, that interview to the President of the National Family Union of Parents in Mexico

As part of the information we wish to spread through our ICCFM Link/Lazo bulletin, the Confederation look for links with related organizations such as the National Family Union of Parents – UNPF- in Mexico represented all over the Mexican territory.

Following this effort, the UNPF that we have links, invited us to its 99th National Congress on November 16 and later Miguel and Patricia (ICCFM UN rep) were received at its Headquarters in Mexico City and share our knowledge and experiences since we have similar objectives

The UNPF was founded in 1917 to guarantee freedom in education. Its mission is to generate and encourage social participation in the family and educational areas, through organized parents actions in education, cultural, legal, economic and political field.



ICCFM UN representative at New York, that interview to the President of the National Family Union of Parents in Mexico

Presently Mrs. Consuelo Mendoza is the actual CEO, who works very close to the Mexican Ministry of Public Education

Some of the activities they have done, among others, are:

Educative Alliance with the Federal Government.

They celebrated three Family and Educational Congresses in Latin America.

Social Participation Forums "Building peace for the Families"

Educational Reform boost was sent to Congress demanding parents' participation in the constitutional framework in educational matters and where the implementation of programs, courses and activities for the parents are highlighted.

Awareness campaigns, literacy, forums, meetings, congresses, etc

At the end of 2016 the ICCFM attended the UNPF Annual National Congress called "For My Family" in which Mexican and Latin-American Projects were presented

The main conferences were:

Sexuality and Affectivity; Where the family goes; Prevention policies and their consequences in the family; The Solution: The Family.

They are currently focused on:

- Activities in favor of the family and education.
- Promoting public policies in favor of family and education.

## Miguel and Patricia and Consuelo Mendoza (actual CEO) and his husband



- Promotion of quality education and values.
- Promotion of a humane and transcendent educational model.
- Strengthening the importance of civic and ethical action in education programs.
- Encourage parent involvement on school boards.

They have in this organization a source of statistical information about the trends of families in recent times, and their impact on significant areas such as children's performance in the educational field.

How the marital union affect the future behavior of people, for example in drug use, school results, etc.

Miguel & Patricia Zuñiga de la CIMFC Representatives at UN in New York.

