- The richness that Ignatian spirituality possesses as a way that is always valid for finding God in all things and working for the "good that is more divine the more universal it is".
  - Do I know Saint Ignatius of Loyola and his spirituality? how does it help me? am I a person of prayer, of discernment? do I take my prayer to life and my life to prayer? Do the Spiritual Exercises help me?
  - We suggest "The Pilgrim", "Ignatius of Loyola, never alone," etc..
- The mission and concrete works of the Institute of the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in its "wholehearted" search to extend the charism of Saint Raphaela Mary to where the "need is most urgent".
  - Do I know the mission and works of the Congregation? how do I feel invited to cooperate?, do I recognize the various forms of poverty and do I have a commitment in this regard?
  - We suggest: Handmaids today, PROACIS material, etc.
- The universal dimension of the ACI Family.
  - Am I interested in the ACI Family documents and communications? am I aware of the events at local, national and international levels?, do I share with other groups, with other people? We suggest: Documents and materials from First and Second International Assemblies of the ACI Family, letters, greetings, etc.

#### × Political and social areas

- The social doctrine of the Church.
  - Am I aware of the political and social reality around me? do I assume an active role? We suggest: documents of the social doctrine of the Church, and others.
- The commitment to the poor.
  - Do I feel touched by suffering in all its forms? what have I done, what do I do, what will I do for them?, do I let myself to be evangelized by them? We suggest: "Evangelii Gaudium".

## **x** Ecological area

- Become aware of our responsibility for the care of Creation.
  - Do I value Creation as a gift of God?, do I care for it, for the present and the future?, am I am aware of the consequences of daily negligence in regard to its care?
  - We suggest: "Healing a broken world" (Promotio Iustitiae  $N^{\circ}$  106 2011-2012. Society of Jesus.), "Caring for Creation in the daily life of the Friars Minor" (Order of Friars Minor Office of Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation, Rome, 2011).

## International Commission of the ACI Family



Rome, October 2014

# "ACI Family, Gift of the Spirit... Family for the World"



ADDENDUM TO THE FINAL DOCUMENT

Dear ACI Family, with this Addendum, the International Commission wants to develop some points from the Final Document that we believe should be worked on especially, in greater depth, by the groups of the Family, each one from its own reality and needs.

The Commission wants to guide and assist the work of the groups, leaving the freedom to choose and develop in the most appropriate way those aspects that are most useful for the group.

This Addendum will be reviewed at the next International Assembly of the ACI Family.

#### **ORGANIZATION**

### **×** Financing:

- To encourage the groups to organize their budget, and to seek means of fundraising (dues, activities, etc.).
- To promote awareness of the need for a monetary contribution from the groups to their National/Provincial Commission and to the International Commission. With this funding, costs arising from the activities of the ACI Family at the national/provincial and international levels will be covered.
- <u>National/provincial level</u>: We suggest that a lay member of each National/Provincial Commission is in charge of its economic fund.
- <u>International level</u>: A lay member of the International Commission will explore and propose fundraising channels for the ACI Family.

#### **FORMATION**

Taking into account the dimensions mentioned in the Formation section of the Final Document, we propose some questions that can help in reflection, at both personal and group levels, and suggest material that can be useful.

What we propose here is for guidance only. It will alwahs be the group itself that determines its formation pathway and the material to use.

#### × Human area

- Self-knowledge Do I know myself, with my strengths and my limitations?
  - We suggest the Enneagram and the Johari Window.
- Interpersonal relationships. How do I come across to and relate with others: family, work, friends...?
  - We suggest: communication workshops, dynamics for groups, family themes.
- Vocation to a full humanness that lives in solidarity. Do I feel that I
  am part of this humanity, with its lights and shadows?

#### Christian area

- Lay vocation. To what does this vocation lead me? How do I live it?
- Baptismal commitment. How do I live it in all aspects of my life: family, work, friends ...?

#### Scriptural area

- Instruction in knowledge of the Bible. Am I familiar with the Bible, do I "know my way around" in it?
- The Word of God. Do I know the Word of God?, do I desire to live it?, do I communicate it to others? We suggest texts by José Antonio Pagola s,j,: "Jesus, an historical approximation", "The way opened up by Jesus." (Commentary on the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.), "Jesus and money", "Groups of Jesus"; etc.

#### × Ecclesial area

- Our humble belonging to and collaboration in the Church. Do I feel part of the universal body of the Church?, do I love it?, to what commitment does it lead me?
- Knowledge of Church documents. Am I aware of the need to know these documents that help me in my life of faith? We suggest "Lumen Gentium" ("Light of Nations," Vatican II), "Christifideles Laici" ("The Lay Members of Christ's Faithful People"), "Evangelii Gaudium" ("The joy of the Gospel"), Documents of the Synod of the Family and others to be published.

#### × ACI Charism area

- The legacy of Raphaela Mary, as known from her story and her writings:
  - o How she discovered the following of the poor and humble Jesus.
  - How she wanted to respond to the Love of God through Reparation.
  - o How Christ in the Eucharist became the center of her life.

Do I know and reflect in depth on the life of St. Rafaela Mary, the history of the Institute and the first Handmaids? Do I know and understand the Eucharistic-Reparative Charism?, how can I live and communicate it?

We suggest: "Love always", "Foundations for a building", "Palabras a Dios y a los Hombres" (letters and spiritual notes of St. Raphaela Mary), "María del Pilar Porras Ayllón. Letters. "; workshops, games, etc.

- The vital place that the Eucharist celebrated, adored and lived can have in our busy daily life.

Is Eucharist truly the center of my life? how do I celebrate It? how do I adore It?, how do I live It?, which Eucharistic attitudes do I have?, do I feel sent to the mission?, am I conscious of the social dimension of the Eucharist?