## INCORPORATION AND BELONGING IN TO THE ACI FAMILY



Incorporation into the ACI Family responds to the need to be part of a universal body that expands our existential horizon and gives responses, according to the spirituality of Saint Raphaela Mary, to profound questions about identity, the meaning of existence, commitment to humanity, commitment to God.

It is good that those who approach the ACI Family grow in **knowledge of the legacy and commitment of St. Raphaela Mary**, the persons and groups that make up the Family, their activities, their universal dimension, their commitments ... Little by little they will participate in their meetings, celebrations, activities of solidarity... that will help them to deepen in the meaning of Family.

The groups that already belong to the ACI Family, along with those who will be incorporated, will maintain their way of life and autonomy.

We belong to the Catholic Church, and taking into account the diverse realities of persons, cultures, religions, countries..., the ACI Family is open to all those who feel moved to live the charism of reparation through action in solidarity, mutual help, sharing the values of Raphaela Mary...

## Steps in the process of incorporation of a group

- \* After a process of approaching, of discovering, of walking along with others, of discernment and commitment, each group, in the light of its situation, will request incorporation into the ACI Family.
- \* Although this incorporation usually is done in a group, this should not lessen the strength of the personal act and commitment of each member of the group.
- \* It is important for the group to be accompanied by a Sister or a member of the ACI Family.
- \* If the group discovers in the ACI Family its way of living the following of Jesus in the Church, it will ask for incorporation by means of a letter addressed to the Superior General, which highlights the sense of the universality of the Family. A letter of introduction of the group, written by the person accompanying the group, must be attached.