



ORGANIZATION OF THE ACI FAMILY

The ACI Family has an organizational structure that consolidates it as a Family, strengthens communion and facilitates communication.

The circular shape of this organizational chart illustrates the desire to express the reciprocity of the Handmaids-Laity relationship at all levels. It is inspired by the contemplation of the lace made by Saint Raphaela Mary in which the design begins in the center and grows outward forming a circle. In this way, this image suggests a way to visualize the organizational chart.

The Superior General, link of union between the ACI Family and the Congregation of Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, in dialog with the International Commission, will make important decisions regarding the life and mission of the Family. She will also appoint the Assistant General who will have the mission of accompanying the Family.

The International Commission comprised of five lay persons and two Sisters will be appointed by the Superior General, taking care, as far as possible, that the distinct zones and regions are represented.

Commission members will elect among themselves a coordinator, and responsibilities will be distributed according to the areas of work (formation, communication, fundraising ...).

It seems necessary that in the different countries and provinces work be done through commissions. These National or Provincial Commissions, appointed by the Provincial Superior, will be in contact with the International Commission and will encourage the life of the Family in their area.

The Provincial Superior of each place will be the link between the Family and the communities. She and the National or Provincial Commission will seek suitable means to encourage and develop the ACI Family.

The International Assemblies will be held every five years and will be convoked by the Superior General in dialog with the International Commission.

It is good to organize meetings at the level of regions and/or continents.

