



**MINUTES of the Extraordinary General Assembly of the ICCFM
January 31st. to February 2nd. 2014
Queretaro, Mexico**

DAY 1 (January 31st. 2014)

1. Welcoming and Objective of the meeting.

- The participants were welcome with a launch activity named "Building Unity", using as a main element the water, which have brought from the different continents of the participants. Guided by Edgar and Cinthya Montalvo Secretaries of Unit, Co-responsibility and finance.
- The President, Team Jorge and Rosalinda Carrillo along with Fr. Guillermo Muñiz, gave a welcome message; thanking to God Father and to the intercession of Lord St. Joseph, Patron of this mission; for the assistance of the plenary Assembly, summoned to work together to find common lines of action that will allow us to advance towards the objective of the ICCFM
- Being 8:55 am on January 31, 2014 the extraordinary Assembly of the ICCFM was declared open.
- Guillermo and Maria Elena Novelo, Secretariat of formation and spirituality, did a presentation activity with the objective that participants meet one another, answering questions personal and as these questions were projected in the screen. The Order of the presentation was; Hugo and Delilah, Oceania Continental Presidents (CP); Cyril and Carmen, Asia CP, Greta and Csaba, delegates of the ICCFM to the UN; Andrew and Bernadette, CP of Africa; Ricardo and Lucy CP Latin America; John and Lauri CP North America, Pip and Wilma, National Presidents Philippines and Rafael and Raquel Vivian presidents CFM Mexico.
- Welcoming protocol was made by the National Presidents of the CFM, Rafael and Raquel Vivian.

2. Opening Eucharist

- Being 9:36 am, took place a Eucharist presided by the Local Bishop Faustino Armendariz Jiménez.

3. Expectations of the Assembly 11:23 am –

- Guillermo and Ma. Elena Novelo, Secretaries of formation of the ICCMF coordinated the exercise on the expectations anticipated by the participants of the General Assembly, each answered in your booklet.

4. Presentation of the reality of the ICCMF

- The Presidents of the ICCFM, Jorge and Rosalinda Carrillo presented the reality to the 2013:
 - Lack of communication between the continental Presidents and headquarters team, and between the continental Presidents and the National Presidents
 - There are continents which have missed the Christian Family Movements in some countries.
 - Decreasing of membership in some countries
 - The Continental Presidents do not send reports to the international Presidents of the reality in their continent
 - The International Presidents do not make official or formal delivery to the incoming Presidents
 - The ICCFM do not have economic support, neither the CP, except in the case of Latin America
 - We pray the Angelus.

5. Presentation of the reality in the African CFM

- Andrew and Bernadette Simango:
 - They only have information from Malawi (The country where they live)
 - They do not have formation material to present in the continent countries that was the motivation to attend to the assembly and to offer it to the African continent.
 - Shared activities in Malawi and where they have been part of it for 27 years.
 - They have coordinating groups for the activities, and there is a national team. It's a parish structure.
 - Malawi has 8 dioceses, CFM is present in 7 and he octave is in the process to be established.
 - Do not have much information from other countries.



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- CFM should exist in Cameroon because the former Presidents were from there.
- Communication with other countries has been difficult because the internet is not a proficient means of communication, they are trying to get information of the CMF to contact through the secretariats, dioceses and Episcopes in the countries. They were already contacted with Zambia, Uganda and Burundi. They contact a couple Ghana thru internet.
- They hope to have soon the directory of several countries.
- The largest and first challenge is communication and secondly the Organization, they will be used as base Malawi, optimizing the resources from what they learned in Mexico, the goal is to have strength as Mexico.
- They saw as not probable to assist to this assembly because the cost of the trip, but miraculously they got the money lend and covered.
- They close with the phrase *"all action begins with a first step"*.

6. Presentation of the reality of the CFM in Asia.

-Cyril and Carmen D'Sousa with Pip and Wilma Cua recently elected National Presidents of the Philippines, commented that his office extended until 2015.

The Presidents of the Philippines stated:

- In the Philippines the national Presidents period last 2 years and with no re-election.
- From CFM derivate other family groups and they also use the same materials.
- The movement is the basis all family programs, currently include youth groups, age of 18 onwards are invited so they are formally associate members. But the reality is different in thinking and personality, has been included them in a satisfactory manner.
- They have programs for families, single-parent "Family overseas", workshops of spirituality and service that are being promoted in parishes and schools.
- They work with a 3 books of accompaniment spirituality "stewardship" comprehensive program that offer to the ICCFM.
- Also work in "Advocacy" working issues like the issue of domestic violence because 1 family of every 5 present this problem at Philippines (this program adapts to every social class).
- Finally there are various challenges: DAD (Daily Advocay Die membership) against family violence, pro-life organizations are on the rise. They need young people to continue with the programs.
- There is an initiative in terms of advertising on the media, for example: with the youth through Facebook, has a newsletter to keep communication with the provinces, they have a family program, responding to the challenge of the evangelization of families, since many are not committed.
- They thank the opportunity to participate in this event.

- Ciryl y Carmen D'Sousa presentation:

- In 2012 was the celebration of the 50 years of existence of the Christian family movement.
- there is no contact with Singapore, but apparently there is Christian family movement, according to the information provided on 2006, in South Korea there is no CFM; the Catholic community in Thailand is small, with no identity of CFM; In China it is difficult to maintain the communication, because of the language, since it varies a lot and It's know that in Hong Kong the group is called "Happy Family Movement" and they are trying to reach them.
- In Sri Lanka there is no communication and they are looking for the status of membership.
- The 2% of the population In India is Catholic, the accompaniment of priests is complicated and they are looking to reactivate the CFM and trying to translate into local languages.
- Japan group "FIRES" is very active.
- They have sent letters, mails, etc to Japan, Malaysia and Pakistan, but there is no response yet.
- India has six months of training, they presented the beneficiaries and the services offered.



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- The CFM is been promoted in other countries. The Bishops of Taiwan and Viet Nam want the CFM in these countries.
- They carry out activities at the continental level, holding a Continental Conference every 2 years.

7. CFM in Europe. Presentation of the reality

-Ma. Carmen and Robert Kimball (only Robert)

- Provides data for the economic situation that lives Europe, there is an economic, social, religious disunity. There is a crisis of values, the family is being attacked from all possible sides.
- There are not many organizations that sustain the family.
- In Spain for example, do not pronounce the word God in public, that is the reality.
- The economic crisis has been aggravated.
- France, Germany and Austria, countries with strong Catholic populations, are unfortunately leaving religious practices, the relativism is growing, and other doctrines, and everyone does his self-truth.
- In Portugal and Spain the CFM is very strong and is respected by the Conference of bishops.
- In other countries where they were previously under the Communist regime the CFM is growing like in Slovakia, Hungary, Austria and Croatia, and these countries are encouraging to the rest of Europe.
- In February the CFM starts in Switzerland, 2% are families who arrived from Chile in South America these families are also enduring to Bratislava in Slovakia.
- In general the people don't pay attention to related values.

8. CFM in Latin America. Presentation of the reality

-Presentation by Ricardo and Lucia Araujo Castro.

- They present their team and structure at CFM in Latin America.
- 73,880 marriages, 20,977 youth and teenagers and single mothers 2,400.
- The "Evangelical solidarity" project must be strengthened in Cuba, El Salvador, Bolivia and Paraguay.
- Where the project has not been adopted is because they have their own formation material.
- They count with training on services such as: Conjugal Encounters, Parents School, Pre-marriage Catechesis and more.
- They do not have information about their presence in the civil society.
- The General Latin-American Assembly is the highest organization within the area.
- Events: Latin-America Encounter (ELA), Zonal meeting (EZO), Latin American youth meeting (ELAJO), the lattest took place in Yucatan, Mexico this year and is hold every 3 or 4 years.
- The membership has increased. Working at the countries in different ways 1 + 1, work promotion in parishes, posters, brochures, radio, website, poster, radio, TV etc.
- Already have a calendar program to visit countries.
- They say that Mexico has donated lot of material, and thank their solidarity

9, CFM in North America. Presentation of the reality.

-John and Lauri Przybysz, through slides.

- They show a map of the distribution of the CFM in United States and part of Canada.
- Two bishops are supporting the people of Spanish-speaking. Bishop Oscar Cantu (Mexico), Bishop George Rassas (USA).
- The Presidents of the Latin CFM are Antonio and Loly Layton of Texas and the spiritual director Fr. Juan Rogelio Gutiérrez. Statistics; 2010 / 2013, 4,596 marriages / 7,000 marriages.
- It plans to have an economic contribution to the ICCFM members for expenses required.
- CFM - USA Fr. Tom Rzepiela, membership 2009 / 2013, 1,126 marriage / 811 marriages.
- Present activities, there has been no National Convention since 2005.



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- Services and actions: hospitality, immigration assistance, young education in Catholic action groups, is collecting clothes, etc.
- CFM Los Angeles 20 parishes, young there are 1,100 and 545 marriages, their formation is similar to the one in Mexico. They show an image of the web page.
- There are 30 families in Canada and they speak Spanish, they work with the same material of the Latin CFM, have retreats, assemblies, etc.

10. CFM in Oceania. Presentation of the reality

-It was not on agenda, Hugo and Dalila Monterrosa presents.

- They have 25 years of living in Australia. (Acts of the Apostles 20, 35). "There is more joy in giving than to receive".
- They have contacted 3 groups of MEC (movement of conjugal encounters) in Melbourne, Australia.
- They have been expanding and currently have 80 couples. They were contacted and elected with surprise and have accepted gladly and willing to serve.
- They present their spiritual director who speaks 7 languages Bishop Rev. Delmar Silva and the members of the team.
- They have activities like; visits to sick, premarital courses, youth processes.
- World Marriage Encounters, Kevin and Kerry Townsend, Fr. John Rate, Couples for Christ (1989), basically formed by Philipians.

11. Delegation to the UN in New York. Presentation of the reality

-John and Lauri presented the reality of the delegation to the UN, what we can do to keep us as members of the United Nations, delivering reports 4 times a year.

12. Delegation to the UN in Vienna, Austria. Presentation of the reality

- Csaba and Greta Horvath.

- In Hungary they have conjugal encounters of father Calvo, there is no youth groups in fact families are young but soon these groups will reborn when their children grow up.
- They have a school for help.
- In the UN the meetings are twice a year one in May and one in November, usually for 2 days.
- They explain what is done at the meeting in short: questions and answers on the Committee but in reality is not seen what you are looking for.
- The Hungarian group started 20 years ago.
- Purposes have been good and came from a Christian Center, wanted to define family and types divorced parents, divorced mothers, etc. The concept of worldwide is Dad, MOM and kids; more the Committee said that this was a denominator.
- We need to ask God for help, pray, there are signs that our prayers have been heard, nothing serious happened, more focused defense of real families, protecting them.
- To see so many people support even if the language is different, expectations change, and drive us to defend our values. You have to be there, we hope to continue presenting us.



13. Financial situation of the ICCFM by Cinthya and Edgar Montalvo.

- They commence with the reading the parable of the talents. The construction of the Kingdom of God is given from our hearts but we need financial resources.

Balances and economic movements of ICCFM where presented

PERIOD - PRESIDENTS-	TRANSACTIONS	-Egress	+Ingress	=Balance
2010-2013 <u>Gary y Kay Aitchinson</u> Balance received from William y Esilda Cheng (2007-2010) \$8,300.00	Year 2010	-\$10.00		
	year 2011	-\$100.00	+\$1,808.00	
	year 2012	-\$2,282.00	+\$1,999.46	
	year 2013	-\$4,378.00	+\$2,010.00	
	Year 2013			= \$7,347.46
2013-2016 <u>Presidentes Jorge y Rosalinda Carrillo</u> Cantidad recibida: \$7,347.46	Year 2013		+\$11,374.00	
	CFM Mexico donation for this Assembly.			

- The continents have different realities, however, in common is required to increase the number of members, exercise the spirit and up-growing more effective training.
- Therefore we seek the unit of the Confederation, demonstrating faith for families in and out of the CFM.
- Our commitment is important and we shall offer our service to God. United we will achieve that our families and each of our organizations, became the new Apostles of the Lord; we are 6 continents delegates, 12 people. We invite you then to continue to build the Kingdom of God from the families.

14. Formation topic "The new evangelization" presented by the Bishop of the Diocese of Querétaro Bishop Don Faustino Armendariz Jiménez.

The main ideas were as follows:

- To be missionaries with a consistent lifestyle.
- To review the structures to reach the farthest from person to person without relinquishing our membership, according to the invitation of Pope Francis in the joy of the Gospel.
- What suggests reflection and lights or points as is proposed in Aparecida to work.
- Bishop Don Faustino provided his speech script, which is recommended reading for additional important points that he mentioned and which is available in the memories of the event and website.

Questions and answers

- To the question of John of North America: I am a missionary for my baptism, we all have an obligation to work in the streets, the priest should smell like a sheep.
- Andrew in Africa: says that there are not enough priests and lays has taken the role as priest, Catechist, etc., and must be sent to evangelize. Don Faustino makes some comments in this regard. 'There is each one labor to missionize; it is job of every baptized Catholic.

14. The objective of the ICCFM, presented by Sergio and Dora Treviño

Presented with a dynamic and slides

- Question: do we know where is it documented? Participants respond, in the Constitution.
- Dynamics consists in identify the elements contained in the objective.
- Article 1 section B some elements: promote, encourage, help, grow, serve, look away, striving, proclaim the Gospel.
- Reflecting about what we're doing each one so that the overall objective of the ICCFM will be and if that is what we need to do.

Activities conclude at 9 pm.



Followed by party with the members of the Diocese of Querétaro, playing mariachi and Mexican appetizers.

DAY 2 (February 1, 2014)

15.-Eucharist

- The activities of the extraordinary General Assembly commence with the Eucharistic Celebration. Presided by the Fr. Guillermo Muñoz Vargas Chaplain of the ICCFM.
- At the end of the Eucharist, the international Presidents, Jorge and Rosalinda Carrillo, take the word and give the following nominations and that granted by the authority which gives them the Constitution of the ICCFM: Continental Presidents of the continent of Oceania to Hugo and Dalila Monterrosa' of Australia and they thank their participation in this General Assembly, mentioning the reason why this continent has no continental Presidents for more than three years.
- The Monterrosa couple accepted such appointment and offered to work to integrate the International Confederation of Christian family, movements ICCFM, the movement of conjugal meetings and FIRES; to work for the goal of the ICCFM.
- The international Presidents give the appointments of Vice-Presidents of the Confederation to Sergio and Dora Treviño, appointed the secretariats of formation to Guillermo and Maria Elena Novelo and the unit, stewardship co-responsibility and finance to Edgar and Cynthia Montalvo signed by the team President.

16 Topic "the CFM in Mexico, his being, his life and his action. Presented by Rafael Vivian and Raquel Hernández Presidents of the CFM Mexico.

- As introduction they presented the structure by areas of service and their membership at national level
- The charisma is the Conjugal Spirituality and by consequence the family apostolate as a means to Sanctification for the entire family.
- It continues their presentation of the mission, vision, values and objective of the CFM Mexico.
- The CFM works with a 3 year process system and 3 key moments, Kerygma, Conjugal Encounter and Family Encounter one per each year, they have didactic formation material (books) updated in 2013, the Basic Formation Cycle (BFC) starts and goes along with the liturgical year.
- To reach new members there is a period denominated "fishing", with its strategies" one + one that is personal, parish announcements, posters, media, etc.
- To strengthen the spiritual life of its members it is promote the Rosary prayer in family, Lectio Divina, visits to the Holly Sacrament, monthly mass attendance with their team and families, and a image of a pilgrim virgin who goes home to home.
- It was presented the geographical boundaries of the CFM Mexico, to attend all their members as well as the regional division to better support.
- The institutional services out of the CFM where presented: Pre-marriage Catechesis, Formation school for parents, Formation in love (for engaged couples), support for responsible mothers (single moms)
- They currently have a membership of 51,625 families and 17,257 in youth groups. In the past 10 years there were about 110,000 families living the BFC

17.- Workshops "Vision of the ICCFM" Jorge and Rosalinda Carrillo. Slides and printed material.

- They summarize the previous two days.
- They explain the method, See, Judge and Act: **To see**, involves the Knowledge of the reality of the ICCFM, where we stand where we are; **The Judge**, we met our commitment and mission as baptized, we all are missionaries, we analyze the objective of the Confederation
- What is the Goal, what we intend to achieve throughout the question, Where do we want to get?, in 2016, where we want to be as ICCFM?, how do we see in 2016?
- An organization like the ICCFM requires three types of assets: doctrinal assets which is knowledge of Jesus, obtained with the training; Human assets, to live the experience of the encounter with the brother; spiritual assets,



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what moves us to be disciples and missionaries of Jesus Christ, these three assets are those who drive us to comply with our objectives and our mission.

- We must consider where we want to be with the membership in different aspects such as formation, spirituality, communication, solidarity, and how to increase it?
- The continent attendants worked on how they can grow, finding their own commitments. Having as a common commitment the 2016 vision of the CFM on each continent.
- They present some practical examples: there is no formation without pedagogy. The objective of the Confederation is the objective of the New Evangelization.
- It was stated that CFM must be perfectly defined, with an organizational structure. As an ISO program.

The Angelus prayer.

- An exercise to expose the 2016 vision per continent was made
- Jorge does a reflection about his own experience in the Latin-America presidency period, about the desired leadership with the countries on charge under the CP (continental presidents).
- As an idea he shares this phrase to all “We want to be good with God or people”.
- 20 min. are given to complete formats about the Continental Strategies
- Jorge and Rosy conclude the workshop.

18. Presentation of the Organization Manual. (Slide show by Sergio and Dora Trevino)

Main Ideas:

- The confederation saw the need of a blast platform to the evangelical work, this no doubt though an organization.
- An introduction about the ideal profiles is made.
- This manual will work as a starting point and reference.
- It considers reports to measure the development.
- Feel like part of the redemptive labor of the Church.
- It was made on a similar way as the organizational quality systems and the Deming circle (Act, plan, check, do) among the continuous improvement, with the objective to see its application.
- Defense of the family as God's plan, is also part of the introduction.
- It's reviewed the presence of the CFM on the different continents.
- Logos, signs etc. are presented as reference.
- In the logo is incorporated the missionary rosary color.
- A brief presentation of the manual content is made.
- The presentation is closed with an open invitation to do any content / orthography correction or suggestion including any regional slangs.

Open participation from audience

Robert from Europe: Is there any format to affiliate to the confederation?

Rosy Replies: It is necessary to do it on a formal way but there is not format for this.

Dalila and Hugo from Oceania: They comment that they do not have their own statutes but they are currently using the ones from the Conjugal Encounters Movement from El Salvador.

John and Lauri from North America: Comment about Canada, they are a new movement and is been suggested to them to use the MFC USA statutes, so lately they can request their incorporation as new country to the ICCFM.

Rosy Replies: It is necessary to use a common format for these actions.



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- The information for the manual has been collected from Sergio and Dora and finally is getting to conclusion
- When the functions for the Continental presidents were made they talked about economic solidarity, expenditure report and the continental fund. And they ask for the stated fee from the countries.
- They enlist the CP responsibilities.

Comments from audience:

Jorge and Rosy comment that they present to the CELAM (Latin America Episcopal Conference by its name in Spanish) with the purpose to request an audience with Pope Francis, where the continental presidents will be invited to attend

Hugo and Dalila from Oceania suggested to get the statues and to appoint continental vice-presidents to get support on their job.

Robert from Europe inquire about the laps of their appointment, Rosy clarify that one of the functions is to attend to the General Assembly every 3 years, and for the continental presidents is different according to the by-laws and Jorge suggest that each outgoing continental presidents shall submit a detail report of activities at the end of their functions, In that way the incoming continental president will not start from zero.

- The exposition continues with the presentation of the ideal profile of the Continental Presidents

Comments from audience:

Robert from Europe said: it's necessary to be first National Presidents or at least Diocesan Presidents.

Ricardo and Lucy from Latin America suggested a quarterly report of activities from the Continental presidents and is their opinion that this is good to get retro feed from the ICCFM, and furthermore they suggest to submit not only the report but also the planning, stating, what we did in the previous three months? And, what we will do in the next 3?

Robert from Europe suggested the planning report to be every six months and supports the quarterly report of activities.

CFM National presidents speak about the importance of an annual planning.

Ricardo and Lucy from Latin America remarks that every plan and report must be evaluated.

- Sergio and Dora continue mentioning that the fruitage will be for their selves and must be shared to create synergy.
- The National functions were presented, and are mention the importance of their support to achieve the objectives, their participation in the assemblies, the impotence to transmit the existence of the ICCFM within the national membership of each country, to send projects and involve them in important events.
- Membership does not know the existence of the ICCFM.

Presentation of the Procedure for the Project Bank

- Ricardo and Lucy from Latin America comment about an existing agreement, is not much but they are sure that with the awareness and generosity of the membership it would be better
- Jorge and Rosy shared their experience about the projects for the UN, and said *“Work team was excellent and is necessary to document the projects. A well-documented bank of projects will help to cover the requirements from the UN”*
- John and Lauri from North America also said that this type of documentation will facilitate the reports requested from UN
- Robert from Europe asks. *What is the extent these projects must have? National, Continental... Etc.*
 - *Greta and Csaba from UN Vienna replies, this bank of projects contributes to the ICCFM image at UN*
 - *John and Lauri from North America said: It is necessary to send this informations to the Bishops*



- Jorge and Rosy Carrillo comment that they report to the UN and to the Vatican.
- Also said that the Vatican is soliciting opinion as a result of the information sent for the Synod of Bishops, no doubt they are considering ICCFM
- They continue with the summary of responsibilities of the Bank of Projects to the UN
- Europe presidency suggests that formats must be detailed and the follow-up to them is very important.
- Benefits of the manual: certainty, enhance learning, objectivity and continuity.
-They give a brief visual tour of the manual and it's announced that it will be published on the internet once the corrections have may be revised again and sent.

Comments

- Jorge and Rosy Carrillo comment: that maybe it is think that it is a lot of paper; however, it is always necessary to formalize, validate through a format. The last sections of the manual are examples that were made.
- Robert Kimball from Europe: All projects are supposed be projects for the United Nations or the Vatican, and congratulates on this wonderful work.
- Hugo and Dalila from Oceania: provides material to world Presidents to be considered.
- Jorge and Rosy thank; that this is a school of training in action. This Assembly should be just that, so that agreements, can make this material does not go above the Constitution and asks if it can be apply? Always what worked can enrich, explained that they do not affect the functions of the National Presidents exposed to the continental, but that they are functions that help to the work of the ICCFM. Lack the operation, to the extent that each one does what correspond, will give response to the resolutions of the manifest of Bucaramanga, Colombia. From this assembly will be a minute so that all have knowledge.
- -Sergio and Dora, thank you for the attention and it gives way to the lunch being 14:58 hrs.

19.- Topic " work strategies in the delegations of the United Nations. By Dr. Pilar Calva and lic. Ma. Of the Pilar Vázquez bald. Starts 16:05 hrs.

- Reading is given to the resume of the DRA. Pilar Calva and Lawyer Ma. del Pilar Vazquez Calva.

-The presence of Ma. Pilar Vázquez Calva is via video conference from the United States.

-It begins with presentation Dr. Pillar:

- Different ideologies of the culture of death have been growing.
- It presents the agencies and bodies of the United Nations.
- There are many criteria of science.
- Arbitrary shape of the concepts of life will be imposed.
- Take advantage of the position that has the CFM at the UN.
- It has subverted a healthy sexual anthropology.
- Clarification of the gender ideology is given.
- What is the definition of gender? Feminists define it, leaving aside the biology, they take the term sexual preference; male, female, homosexual, bisexual and transsexual.
- Statistics are manipulated, going against the existing.

-Continues Ma. Del Pilar

- Actions in the UN reports, opportunities, participate in conferences, presents three of the most important that have to attend.
- There are partnerships with other ONG'S that have consultative status.
- Other ways to participate at the international level; signature requests, attendance to other events, send letters to delegates, to meet our delegation, etc.



Session of questions and answers

- Melba and Edgardo Latin America Presidents, Jorge and Rosy, and John and Lauri, aware for consciousness about the challenges that we have, to the Vatican support.
- Ricardo Araujo says that he refers to a unique marriage for these issues to the UN.
- Raquel asks, what to do with these conferences of March, it says that there is a consciousness asleep.
 - Ma Pillar responds. Must write a letter and send it to Foreign Affairs and Secretary of Government, say how many people are represented, make a request and then a greeting when they have made case to our voice.
- It was concluded the topic 17:35 hrs. and it gives way to the holy hour, a wonderful moment of encounter with Christ, thanking for the works of these days and putting in their hands the later.

DAY 3 (February 2, 2014)

20.-Visit the full team CFM Diocese of Querétaro.

- The visit is coordinated by the Presidents Diocesan Javier and Elizabeth Cermeño.
- The visit beginning at 9:30 am, with a brief tour in every area of both young people and marriages work.
- An experience with more than 250 marriages and more than 190 youth gathered.
- The first part of the visit was attending the auditorium where they were gathered young people, took place a presentation by visitors and young people also presented his team coordinator, to the final questions and answers.
- The second part a visit to meeting halls by Sector and Diocesan areas of the diocese.
- The third part was meeting with all members of the sectors in the Auditorium
- The fourth was a tour to the service desk for example: delivery of the monthly magazine of the CFM, photos on boards was displayed just for this event.
- With this shared the experience of the CFM in Queretaro for the world, a moment full of joy, applause, congratulations and high expectations.
- They moved to the place of the assembly to continue the work of the work.

21.- Presentation of the new website and newsletter LINK/LAZO, by Sergio and Dora Treviño.

- They present the design and structure of the page, as well as the options that each tab.
- Option of translation in several languages was presented and there are files (images) that do not can be translated, however, can be navigated.
- Greta and Csaba UN delegates congratulate the work of updating the page, they propose than other groups can have your web page and link it, and they will provide links to be added and invites others who do so, so will be more nourished the ICCFM. Csaba show the link of the CFM of Hungary.
- Question from North America CP where the links are sent. The response is to the ICCFM emails.
- Ricardo and Lucia Araujo are congratulated for their financial support and to share their company personnel for the development of this project.

Angelus praying

22.- ICCFM Constitution Revision. By Sergio and Dora Treviño

- It starts with the presentation of the articles with desired to change, and others new to include. The reasons that lead to make changes, including the adoption of the Organization Manual are. Taking into consideration that the Organization Manual never may be above the Constitution and the statutes of the ICCFM

Comments:

- Jorge and Rosy: Any amendment should be voted on, all according to established guidelines. North America explains that they form a team, give a report of the continental national.
- **Amendment to article II section C**, about the recipient of the budget of expenditure of the continental Presidents. It is subjected to the vote and adopted unanimously.



- **Amendment to the Article IV section C paragraph 6** was added. It is enriched and voted, unanimously approved. Summary after each presentation and discussion of articles to modify all unanimously approved.

23. Revision of the statutes of the ICCFM. By Sergio and Dora Treviño

- -It commence with the presentation.
- **Article II, section A:**
 - Contribution: Cyril and Carmen Continental Presidents Asia, Csaba from Hungary, Pip of Philippines and Lauri and John of North America respectively say that English language uses the word "couple" to refer to a "marriage", so that only changes in the version in Spanish of the statutes of couple to marriage. Comments that follow the same terminology used in English.
 - It was agreed that in the Constitution and statutes International President and not "Mundial President". Rosy suggest that where the word is Mundial needs to be change by the international Word.
 - John said: we need to take care not to change the meaning.
 - It is voted and adopted unanimously.

Article II, section C, the international Presidents are added as recipients, is voted and approved unanimously.

Article II, section D, is a new article. voted and approved unanimously.

Article II, section E is a new article, plenary equipment voted and approve it unanimously.

Article II, section F is a new article about the organizational manual, is voted and approved unanimously.

Article V, section A indent 1. Modification on the Executive Secretariat and removal of the paragraph 2, is voted and approved unanimously. While **section (B)** on the functions of the Executive Secretariat, has no no change.

Closing at 15:30 hrs.

24 theme "pastoral challenges on the family in the new evangelization. By the Pbro. Guillermo Muñiz ICCFM Chaplain. Slideshow

Among the main ideas are:

- the characteristic of the light of faith is the ability to illuminate all the existence of man.
- Faith, we receive from God as a supernatural gift, is light on the trail, which guides our way in time.
- Faith, once associated with the conversion, is the opposite of idolatry; It is separation of the idols to the living God, through a personal encounter.
- Believe means to commit ourselves to a merciful love, always welcome and sorry, supports and orients the existence, which manifests itself powerful in its ability to straighten the crooked in our history.
- Faith consists of availability to be transformed again and again by God's call.
- Faith is transmitted by contact, person to person, as a flame lit another flame.
- Christians, in their poverty, planted so fertile seeds, that becomes a large tree which is capable of filling the world of fruits

25. General Affairs by Jorge and Rosalinda Carrillo 16:05 hrs.

- They give an image of the Virgin of Guadalupe, as a gift of Eligio and Lilia Martin, Mexico National Secretaries of the Bajío province.
- For the World Assembly for the families of the ICCFM, on July 2016 in San Antonio Texas. Arise some proposals of theme:
 - Families in irregular situations
 - Christian leadership
 - Families joining with Jesus in his mission.
 - Dalila and Hugo from Oceania says that it should be emphasized in "The family domestic church"
 - It's concluded that it will not be possible to the issue, however, is to define it by electronic means, with regard to the logo a call it could release.
- Jorge and Rosy will send the themes of the previous assemblies and elements to consider.



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- Rev. Guillermo: What is the primary Topic? The presidents can give an orientation about what is really needed.
- Lauri and John: The Assembly must emphasize in the positive, the Gospel Joy.
- Some strategies for the assemblies are considered to ensure a major participation.
- It is asked to work as a team for the continental assemblies.
 - III Special Meeting Of the Synod of Bishops.
 - I Latin American family Congress, August 2014.
 - All continental Presidents are invited to attend these conferences.
- Be a presence and voice of the family in society today, we need to be informed.
- We need alliances with groups to do strength and presence.
- It is request to be communicated via Skype, Go to meeting. Among members around the world, as well as Facebook and the website of the ICCFM.
- Latin America, have a website, and they meet using Go to meeting
- John offers the ICCFM subscription for 20 people.
- "They are not coming, but hear us," have to keep playing the bells.
- Closing 16:40 hrs.

Closing Eucharist is scheduled at the end of the Assembly in the Temple of Santa Clara at the historic center of Querétaro, with the aim of greater interaction of the visitors with the community of Querétaro.

COMMITMENTS AT THE ASSEMBLY WORLD OF THE FAMILIES OF THE ICCFM IN BUCARAMANGA, COLOMBIA FROM 28 TO 30 JULY 2013	RESPONSE TO THE EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PLENARY TEAM OF THE ICCFM IN QUERETARO, MEXICO FROM 31 JANUARY TO 2 FEBRUARY 2014
1. The ICCFM must work harder to make your voice to be heard by organizations like the UN in favor of family.	Exhibition of work strategies in the delegations of the United Nations with the participation of Dr. Pilar Calva and Pilar Vazquez Calva, specialists in work at the UN and work in networks of Civil society organizations.
2. The ICCFM should help actively put family support networks in place in cooperation with other charitable organizations.	Workshop entitled "vision of the ICCFM to the 2016", where each Continental President reviewed what has to work in their countries in training, spirituality, promotion, communications, membership and Expansion.
3. The ICCFM should use all kinds of social media including the mass to influence public opinion in matters relating to the family	Presentation of the new dynamic website and the newsletter Link/Lazo. Where is promoted the communication with members worldwide and other agencies, which have the same objects of the ICCFM.
4. The ICCFM must provide formation materials suitable for its members. So these are sufficiently prepared to testify on issues such as: the important role that provide stable families to the society of	-Project: "Promotion of exchange of training between countries". -Courses online, training for leaders. -Presentation of the Organizational Manual of the ICCFM developed by the headquarters of the ICCFM and accepted by the Assembly.
5. Educate ourselves in the social doctrine of the Church.	- Course online, on the Church's Social doctrine,



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	-Project: "Promotion of exchange of formation materials between countries"
6. Organize our movements in a way to maximize our efficiency and effectiveness for the Mission of Jesus.	-Presentation of the Manual of organization of the ICCFM developed by the team headquarters the ICCFM approved by the Assembly and promoted their application. -To promote and support so that every country has its Constitution and by-laws. -Workshop entitled "vision of the ICCFM to the 2016", where each Continental President reviewed what has to work in their countries in training, spirituality, promotion, communications, membership and Expansion.
7. Identify opportunities to influence the Church, civil and political structures for the benefit of the family.	- Exhibition of work strategies in the delegations of the United Nations -Work in all countries: formation, spirituality, promotion, communications, membership and Expansion. -Bank projects to present at the UN and at the Vatican.
8. Respect all kinds of families.	Work in all countries: formation, spirituality, promotion, communications, membership and Expansion.
9. Pay attention to the needs of families in difficult situations. (migration, divorce, etc.)	-Exchange of formation materials among countries, for families in difficult situations: the Presidents of the European continent, are authors of a book for this reality, Mexico offers material for two years of formation, for single mothers and is preparing material for "Couples in new union", Philippines, offers material for "solo parents"

26 evaluations –

- Edgar and Cinthya distributed assessment so that it is submitted later.
- Is the delivery of small bottles of holy water from the beginning of the Assembly, as a unit symbol and the commitments obtained in this extraordinary General Assembly
- All are invited to check their working books about the expectations that were raised, to know if they were fulfilled.
- Asia said that theirs were met.
- Latin America said that their doubts and expectations were covered and overpassed. They are very satisfied.

- **It is thank everyone for their attendance and concludes the extraordinary General Assembly of the International Confederation of Christian family movements 2014, being the 17 hrs. February 2, 2014.**



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After moments of conviviality:

Closing Eucharist (convent of Santa Clara)

Tour of the historical downtown (walk)

Musical moment in the theater (Mexican music, with the Querétaro Philharmonic)

Dinner at the Plaza de Armas

February 3, 2014, pilgrimage to the Basilica of our Lady of Guadalupe

February 4, 2014 visit to the archaeological ruins of San Juan Teotihuacan

February 5, 2014

Visit to the National Museum of anthropology

Between the 5 days 6 and 7 February Presidents continental and delegates return to their country of origin.