



International Confederation of Christian Family Movements



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT COUPLE, DECEMBER 2007

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**“Blessed is that servant, whom his lord finds doing so when he comes”
Matthew 24:46**

Dear Friends, Brothers and Sisters in the Lord:

Sunday, December 2nd, is the beginning of Advent. This is a time of reflection, conversion and preparation to receive our Lord who wants to be born in each one of us, in our families and in our surrounding on Christmas.

And how do the members of our Movement prepare for this great event? Do we realize that Jesus always and continuously comes to our life in our family, in the persons we meet, at work, in the community, and most of all in our interior being, to illuminate with His light and fill us with hope, inviting us to be unselfish and solidary with the needy? Or on the other hand, do we allow ourselves to be convinced by the massive propaganda of expenditures, purchases, festivities, forgetting the real meaning of Christmas?

When we read the newspaper, see the news on the television, hear about real life cases, about poverty, unemployment, injustice, delinquency, violence and so many sad cases that occur actually in the whole world, the question arises: What am I doing? What are we doing to help what Jesus started to conclude in the Kingdom of God, here and now?

Friends, we have to make the difference and preach with our example. Live Advent, reflecting on the beautiful scriptures of this time with our family. Remember that the God who is coming is the one we yearn for, in whom we trust, who loves. receives and pardons us. Is the God with us

Let us each day do what the Lord inspires us, reflecting on His Word so that when Christmas comes it will find us prepared, vigilant and we may repeat with happiness and joy as the first shepherds who visited the Baby Jesus in the manger: “Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace, good will toward men”.

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