



CONGREGATION of the
Sisters of Charity
of the INCARNATE WORD
HOUSTON, TEXAS

Regional Assembly: Intercultural Living for Mission

- ❖ **Date, time and location:** Regional decision (Central America, Ireland, Kenya, U.S.). It is highly encouraged that this Regional Assembly be not less than two days, given the process and important content, within the three month period from the time the CPT sends out the handouts and the time all the reports (described below) are submitted to the CPT and Leadership.
- ❖ **Groupings:** Each region will have either **clusters (two or more communities coming together) or a regional assembly.**
- ❖ **Facilitation:** Regional decision
- ❖ **Structure:** The contents or topics (see below) will be the same for all the regions. The manner of the presentations would depend on the preference of the region.
- ❖ **Materials:** The following will be sent to each CPT Liaison through thumb drive:
 - Logo
 - Message from the Congregational Leader
 - Faith-Sharing materials
 - Regional Reports
 - Overall Reports:
 - Implementation of 2018 Chapter Directives from Leadership
 - General Update from Leadership by Region
 - Interculturality
 - Spanish translation of Chapter 12 of *Living Mission Interculturally* by Anthony Gittins, CSSp. (The book has been distributed to all communities with handouts prior to 2019 Fall ARC).
 - *Intercultural Living: Exploration in Missiology* booklet by Anthony Gittins, CSSp
 - Intercultural Survey results
 - Discernment
 - Discernment Questions and Reflections based on Fr. Barton Geger, SJ
 - Policy No. 2.00 Missioning Process
 - Policy No. 2.01 Change Within Ministry Assignment.
 - Appendix 2.00 A Ministry Discernment
 - Safe Environment
 - Policy No. 1.02 Sexual Abuse of a Minor or Vulnerable Person
 - Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Persons booklet



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Day 1

- ❖ **Message from the Congregational Leader, Sr. Kevina Keating:** The sisters will have a chance to comment on relevance to present congregational/communal life in their groupings.
 - ❖ **Faith-sharing:** The faith-sharing materials from readings taken from the original dates of the Assembly are available. The region is free to choose the reading and reflection they wish to use.
 - ❖ **Regional Reports:** The CPT Liaisons will ensure that the Councilor/s for the Region have approved the Regional Report in terms of relevance, content and completeness and alignment with the Chapter approved Strategic Plans. The regions will make sure that the written report will be easily understood when presented in each region.
Report to CPT and Leadership (in red): During an assembly of the whole, we have the opportunity to give immediate feedback and reflection and to seek clarification when necessary. Since there is no total congregational meeting, and there is no opportunity across regions to explain the presentations and give comments, each region will submit reflections and action steps for: 1) each of the regional reports (including their own region), and 2) chapter implementation reports. The CPT and Leadership will then share these reports with the entire congregation. The report could include questions for clarifications.
 - Each report will have the following elements:
 - Update of the Regional Strategic Plan
 - 2018 Chapter Directive implementation
 - Regional activity highlights since 2018 Chapter
 - Upcoming projects of the region
 - **Write a brief summary reflection/comments, and questions if any, of not more than 4 statements for each region.**
- Overall Reports:**
- Review of Implementation of 2018 Chapter Directive from Leadership
 - General Update from Leadership by Region

- ❖ Closing prayer
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Day 2

❖ Faith-sharing

❖ 2018 Chapter Implementation at the Regional Level

- **Strengthen and expand intercultural living and respect for diversity**
 - Chapter 12 of *Living Mission Interculturally* by Anthony Gittins, CSSp.
 - *Intercultural Living: Exploration in Missiology* booklet by Anthony Gittins, CSSp
 - Intercultural Survey results
 - Review the Minutes of the Regional Fall ARC on Interculturality and reflect on what has been done and what still needs to be done.
 - **Write a brief summary reflection and action steps of not more than 4 statements.**
- **Explore new and enhance existing collaborative ministries and partnership**
 - Review the regional response and future plans
 - **Write a brief summary reflection and action steps of not more than 4 statements.**
- **Optimize discerning dialogue in relation to missioning**
 - Discernment Questions and Reflections based on Fr. Barton Geger, SJ
 - Policy No. 2.00 Missioning Process
 - Policy No. 2.01 Change Within Ministry Assignment.
 - Appendix 2.00 A Ministry Discernment
 - Review the handouts and minutes of the regional conference on discernment, if available.
 - **Write a brief summary reflection and action steps of not more than 4 statements.**
- **Take a corporate stand on the Care of God's Creation and commit to educate ourselves and others on the current environmental crisis and to take concrete actions individually and communally to care for the earth**
 - Revisit the Minutes from Spring ARC on Care of Creation
 - Make a conscious connection between the Care of Creation and genuine commitment to interculturality (One of the "CCVI Goals" from *Engaging our Diversity through Interculturality* UISG Seminar in Rome).
 - **Write a brief summary reflection and action steps of not more than 4 statements.**



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❖ **Safe Environment**

- Policy No. 1.02 Sexual Abuse of a Minor or Vulnerable Person
- Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Persons booklet
- Sisters are expected to be Virtus Online certified and to complete in a timely manner the monthly training modules received by email.
- **Write a brief summary reflection and action steps of not more than 4 statements.**

❖ **Closing prayer**

ADDITIONAL DAY/S Optional