



BULLETIN

JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2018



TALKING

Juan Adolfo Moguel Ortiz
President

Warm and friendly greetings to the Cursillista family from Mexico – by the grace of God the seat of the OMCC for the period 2018-2021 –, a country located in North America, with more than 120 million inhabitants, whose majority (83%) say they profess the Catholic faith. Currently, the Cursillo Movement is present in 86 out of the 93 dioceses that form the Catholic Church in Mexico.

In the first lines of our first **OFFICIAL BULLETIN** – a publication we intend to deliver to you every two months – I want to tell you that, despite some difficulties, we received from the Executive Committee in Portugal the transfer of the OMCC seat.

Now that we are holding the baton, we want to point out that we intend to give regular pursuit to the tasks our predecessors have carried out along time. Likewise, we want to commit to dedicate all our strengths, capacities, efforts, talents and passion in order that this service structure be oriented in three directions:

- 1 To build paths of unity, communion and participation within the Movement itself, and with our Mother Church.
- 2 To give special attention to a comprehensive formation of our Leaders, mainly by means of the Leaders' Schools, and
- 3 To preserve fidelity to the original Charism, Mentality, Purpose, and Method of the CM, as expressed and defined in the third edition of Fundamental Ideas, and in accordance with the Statute approved by the Holy See.

Likewise, we think it is appropriate to express our intention of enhancing communication and attention given to each and every one of the 168 National Secretariats around the world. For that purpose, although the OMCC Statute, in its Article 5, says that **"The**

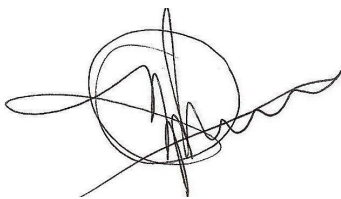
services of the OMCC will be coordinated by an Executive Committee, consisting of a President, a Vice-President, a Spiritual Advisor, a Secretary, and a Treasurer”, we have decided to complement this basic team by inviting a group of leaders – laypersons and priests – of different nationalities to become part of the Executive Committee, with specific and determined tasks. With their experience, commitment and testimony of love to the Movement, expressed and proved along many years, added to a deep love for Jesus Christ and an authentic fidelity to the **CHURCH** and to the **CM’s OWN ORIGINAL CHARISM that characterizes, identifies and distinguishes the Movement (cf. IMFCC3, paragraph 35)**; as well as a thorough respect to the **OMCC STATUTE**, approved by the Holy See, plus recognition and unconditional acceptance of the **“FUNDAMENTAL IDEAS OF THE CURSILLO MOVEMENT”**, they will be an important support for us to accomplish the task we have been entrusted.

We have prepared many projects to serve you through the OMCC and feel our hearts burn in apostolic will. In order to put those projects in practice we want to count on you, your collaboration and all human and material resources available.

We want, at the same time, to be an ‘in the field” rather than an ‘in the office” Executive Committee. We want to be close to and concerned with the problems and needs of the National Secretariats and International Groups, and though recognizing our human limitations, we trust that our Father provides those whom He calls to His service with the necessary gifts.

For all the reasons above, we ask you to pray for us and to beg the Lord of Life to help us and teach us to be faithful, attentive and ready to the Holy Spirit’s inspiration, so that we can accomplish this privileged task in the spirit of Saint Paul, the Saint Patron of the Cursillo Movement, with the maternal protection of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patron of America.

De Colores.

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Juan Adolfo
President

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REFLECTING

Msgr. Faustino Armendariz
OMCC Spiritual Advisor

Dear Cursillistas,

We have started with joy the coordination of the OMCC 2018-2021, a task we have taken over with enthusiasm and hope as it is an extraordinary opportunity to continue to promote the joyful announcement of the Gospel of the Kingdom according to the Cursillo Movement charism, in such a way that in today's multicultural and centuries old reality, many people might be able to meet Jesus and start a close friendship with Him.

I am happy to address you all and to greet you trusting that you be given **“Grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ”** (1st Corinthians, 1, 3).

Announcing the joy of the Gospel is the mission the Lord entrusted to the Church and He now wants us to cooperate with Him. That's why this “announcement” must be our principal and sole objective. As a Movement of the Church, we must feel included in the project that the Pope and the Bishops, inspired in the communion and synodality, have discerned at the light of the Holy Spirit.

Such project is called **“New Evangelization”**, and consists in viewing real-life situations, areas of living and pastoral activity in such a way as to allow many people to leave the “interior desert” that surrounds their lives and that, little by little, owing to various circumstances, has led them to virtually eliminate God from their lives. New Evangelization means to have the courage to raise again the question of God in these places and situations and to restore a high quality and motivation to the faith in many of our Churches of ancient origins. Through the new evangelization, the Church seeks to insert the very original and specific character of her teachings into today's world and everyday discussion. She wants to be the place where God can be experienced even now, and where, under the guidance of the Spirit of the Risen Christ, we allow ourselves to be transformed by the gift of faith.

In order to achieve it, everyone in the Church – Bishops, Movements and Associations – need to renew themselves in the light of the first encounter with Lord resurrected, assuming a serious and decisive pastoral conversion, listening attentively and discerning **“what the Spirit says to the churches”** (Rev 2, 29), **through the signs of the times in which God is made manifest”.** (DA¹, 366)

In an authentic ‘pastoral conversion’ it is ever more important and urgent to root and bring to maturity in the entire ecclesial body the certainty that Christ, the God with a human face, is our true and sole saviour (DA 22). Each baptized person, in effect, bears gifts that he or she must develop in unity and complementarity with those of others so as to form the one Body of Christ, given up for the life of the world”. (DA 162) “In the people of God, communion and mission are profoundly connected with each other, they interpenetrate and mutually imply each other... Communion gives rise to mission and mission is accomplished in communion”. (DA 163) “No community should excuse itself from entering decidedly with all its might into the ongoing processes of missionary renewal and from giving up outdated structures that are no longer helpful for handing on the faith”. (DA 365)

¹ Aparecida Document

The Church is invited to awaken this hope everywhere, especially where it is suffocated by difficult – sometimes inhuman – living conditions, where it can no longer breathe. It needs the Gospel oxygen, the breath of the spirit of Christ Resurrected to light again in people’s hearts. The Church is a home where the doors are always open, not only for everyone to find shelter and breathe love and hope, but also for us to get prepared to take this love and hope to others. The Holy Spirit drives us to go out and guides us to the “peripheries” of mankind.

As an ecclesial Movement present everywhere in the world, we cannot be indifferent to this new path the Church wants to walk to face the challenge of the New Evangelization. We need imperatively to assume the grace of being a missionary as the most important and characteristic note of our whole apostolic being and doing.

Nonetheless, this cannot just be left to chance and improvisation. It demands common commitment for a pastoral project that addresses the essential and that is well centred on the essential, that is, Jesus Christ. We should not spend our efforts on many secondary or superfluous things, but must concentrate on the fundamental reality that is the encounter with Christ, with His mercy, with His love, and on loving our brothers and sisters as He loves us. It has to be a project encouraged by the creativity of the Holy Spirit, which impulses us to walk new ways with braveness, without stagnating. We could ask ourselves how the evangelization activity of our dioceses and parishes is being developed. Does it make the essential – that is Jesus Christ – visible? Do the several experiences and characteristics of such evangelization activities grow together, inspired by the harmony provided by the Holy Spirit? Or are they dispersive and fragmentary, with individual rather than community activities?

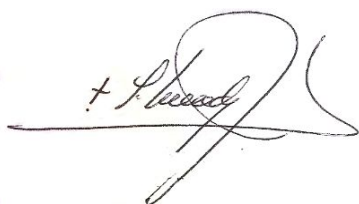
I am convinced that, if we, the Cursillo Movement, want to contribute to the renewal of the Church, it will be imperative to assume “what the Spirit says to the churches” (Rev 2, 29), through the Permanent Mission project. The missionary activity «represents the greatest challenge for the Church» (RM² 40) and «the missionary task must remain foremost» (RM 86). Going to meet others, based on our Cursillista identity is the way and the method we must adopt if we really want to be a Movement of the current times as required by the New Evangelization.

Nowadays we need credible witnesses who make the Gospel visible through their lives and words, capable of awakening the attraction towards Jesus Christ and God’s beauty.

Brothers and sisters, this is the time to Evangelize!

I conclude with an excerpt from the Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium*: “When the Church summons Christians to take up the task of evangelization, she is simply pointing to the source of authentic personal fulfilment. For “here we discover a profound law of reality: that life is attained and matures in the measure that it is offered up in order to give life to others. This is certainly what mission means”.” (EG 10).

¡De Colores!

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+ Msgr. Faustino Armendáriz Jiménez
Bishop of Querétaro
Spiritual Advisor

² Redemptoris Missio



DOCUMENTS

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**ORGANISMO MUNDIAL
DE CURSILLOS DE CRISTIANDAD (OMCC)**
Sede MÉXICO 2018 - 2021

RESOLUTION No. 1

According to the approved ORGANIZATION CHART, the following Mexicans and international leaders are appointed as members of the OMCC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE for the functions and tasks below:

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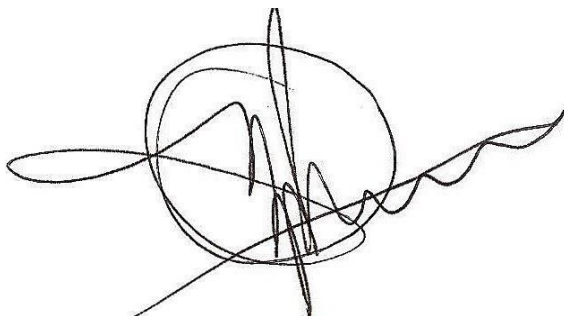
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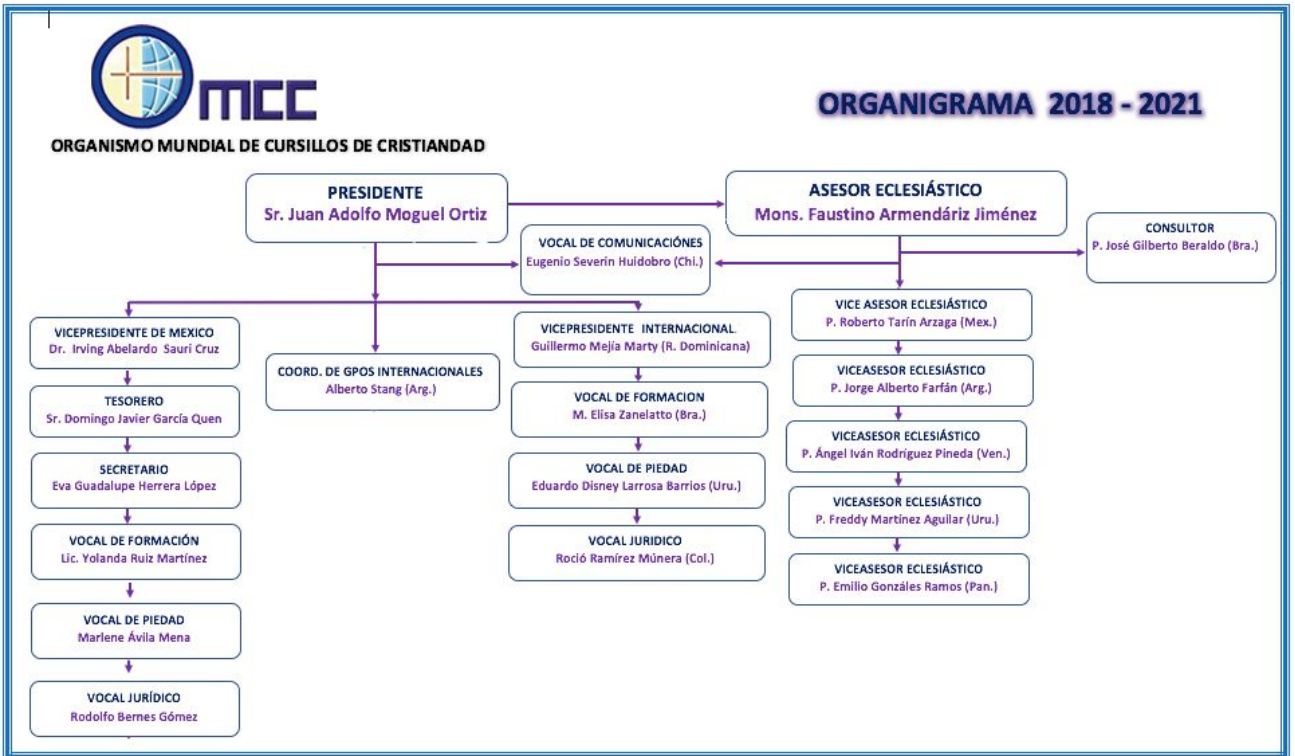
San Francisco de Campeche, Campeche, México 4th December 2017



JUAN ADOLFO MOGUEL ORTIZ
OMCC PRESIDENT
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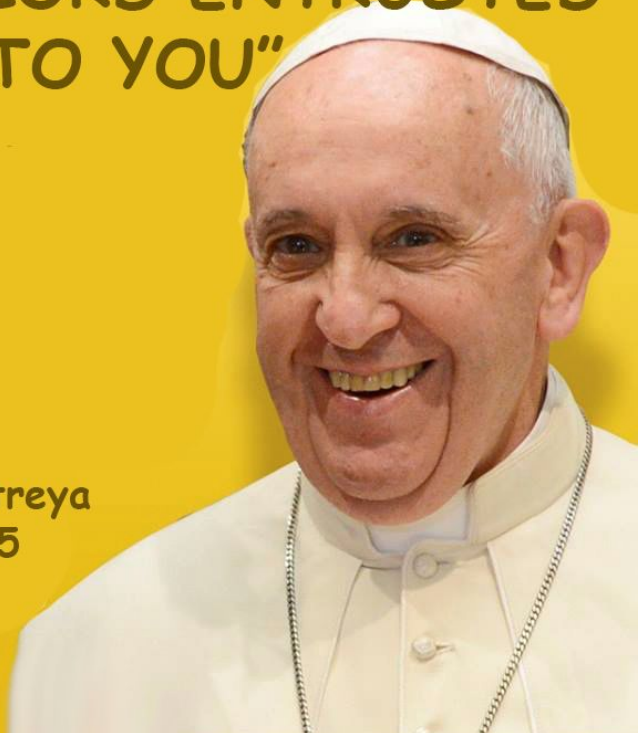


MONS.FAUSTINO ARMENDARIZ
Bishop of Querétaro
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**"YOU ARE CALLED TO MAKE
THE MOST OF THE CHARISM
THAT HE LORD ENTRUSTED
TO YOU"**

**Pope Francis
Third European Ultreya
30th April 2015**





NEWS



Fatima, 10th January 2018.- At a meeting held in the morning at the Shrine of Fatima, attended by the Executive Committee of the outgoing OMCC (Portugal), represented by Francisco Salvador, President; Msgr. Francisco Senra Coelho, Spiritual Advisor; Fausto Dámaso, Treasurer and Joaquim Mota, Vice-president, the incoming OMCC (Mexico), represented by Adolfo Moguel, President and Msgr. Faustino Armendáriz, Spiritual Advisor, took over the new seat of the OMCC for the period 2018-2021.



Fatima, 10th January 2018.- The transfer of the seat of the OMCC Executive Committee from Portugal to Mexico for the period 2018-2021 was concluded with the celebration of a Thanksgiving Mass at the Chapel of the Shrine of Fatima, presided by the new OMCC Spiritual Advisor, Msgr. Faustino Armendáriz.

The celebration was transmitted on line and could be followed by Cursillistas all over the world.



Vatican City, 12th January 2018.- The new President and the new Spiritual Advisor of the OMCC, Juan Adolfo Moguel and Msgr. Faustino Armendáriz were received for a working meeting, in the morning, by His Eminence, Cardinal Kevin Farrell, Prefect of the DICASTERY FOR LAITY, FAMILY AND LIFE.

In a warm and friendly reception, the Cardinal expressed his satisfaction with the visit that proved the fidelity of the CM to the Church, and showed them great solidarity and deep support and backing towards the **“own and original charism that characterizes, identifies and distinguishes the CM”**, as described in “Fundamental Ideas” (IFMCC3, no. 35), as well as towards the new OMCC Executive Committee, which, in a spirit of **communion, unity** and **participation**, has incorporated leaders from various countries, whose experience, commitment and testimony of love for the CM along the years, are a guarantee of fidelity to the Church and to the CM itself.



Vatican City, 12th January 2018.- The new President and the new Spiritual Advisor were invited by Cardinal Peter Turkson, the Prefect of the Dicastery for the Service of the Human Full Development, for a meeting in the afternoon to talk about the CM expansion in Africa.

During his conversation with Cardinal Turkson, Msgr. Armendáriz and Juan Adolfo Moguel requested the Cardinal's personal support to the Project and the work of expansion of the CM in the African continent.

Cardinal Turkson not only expressed his joy for the OMCC intention to continue and strengthen the expansion of the CM in Africa, but also proved to be well informed about the important role played by the European Group of the CM (GECC), particularly the National Secretariat of Spain, in the introduction of the CM – whose Charism he proved to know very well – in Africa, for which he thanked what has already been accomplished, and insisted and encouraged the OMCC, through the National Secretariat of Spain, to double the evangelizing efforts in those “lands of mission”, ensuring his support for any initiative in that respect.



Vatican City, 12th January 2018.- Closing the intense activities of that Friday, and right after their meetings in the Dicasteries for Laity, Family and Life with Cardinal Farrell, and for the Service of the Human Full Development, with Cardinal Turkson, Msgr. Armendáriz celebrated a Thanksgiving Mass, at the Chapel of Our Lady of Guadalupe at the Vatican.



Assisi, 13th January 2018.- Following the example of the “Pope of Joy”, who explained why he had elected the name of Francis by stressing, in his first press conference, that he had done it because Francis of Assisi was a man who conveyed a spirit of peace and unity, and a man that, from his poverty, has called all Christians to live a spirit of humility, our President and our Spiritual Advisor took a pilgrimage to Assisi.

Their intention was to ask the assistance of “il poverello d’Assisi” so that his example of simplicity, humility and spirit of service be the characteristics of the personal performance of each member of the Executive Committee who has accepted the new evangelizing tasks entrusted to them.

At the “Porziuncola”, a little church built inside the Basilica of Saint Mary of the Angels, home of Saint Francis, around 1208, and where, according to the tradition, the Saint gathered his first disciples, starting his mission, Msgr. Armendáriz and Juan Adolfo prayed fervently for the Executive Committee, the International Groups, the National Secretariats, the Diocesan Secretariats and all those whom the Lord has given the experience of a Cursillo, on the grounds that the characteristic simplicity of Saint Francis is essential for the CM work.



Vatican City, 14th January 2018.-Before leaving Rome, a couple of very important visits still had to be paid...

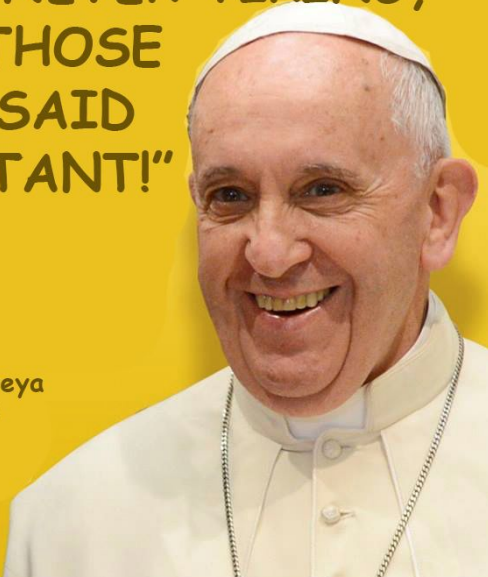
Early in the morning, to the Cathedral of Saint John Lateran, mother church of all Catholic churches in the world, Seat of the Bishop of Rome (Pope Francis himself), and the place where the relics of the head of Saint Peter are kept, thus recognising Peter's authority, expressing thorough fidelity to his Cathedra, and asking for the first Pope's intercession to be builders and leaders of unity in our CM.

Later, to the Basilica of Saint Paul outside-the-Walls, where the tomb of Saint Paul, the Saint Patron of our Movement is, to place in his hands the work that is now beginning and ask for his intercession before the Lord of Life to give them His lights and to send them His Spirit so that they can be His witnesses.



Madrid, 15th January 2018.- Getting back to Mexico, Madrid was a mandatory stop for the National Secretariat of Spain to welcome the new OMCC President and Spiritual Advisor.

"HOW NECESSARY IT IS TO GO OUT, TO GO EVER FURTHER, NEVER TIRING, TO MEET THOSE WHO ARE SAID TO BE DISTANT!"



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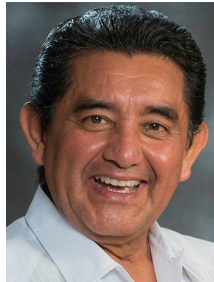
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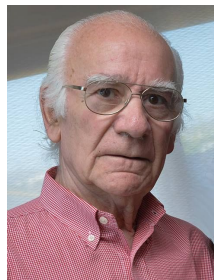
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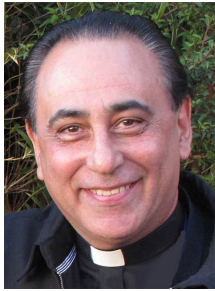
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