



JM Preferences

The 37th General Chapter of the Congregation of the Religious of Jesus and Mary, offers this Document to be developed and implemented, in each Province and Delegation.



*I chose you to go out
and bear fruit...*
Jn. 15:16



**The Experience of the Merciful Goodness of God impels us
to live forgiveness and reconciliation
and to work with passion
for justice, peace and integrity of Creation.**

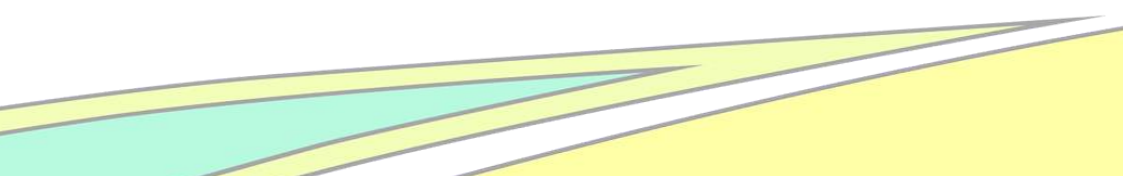
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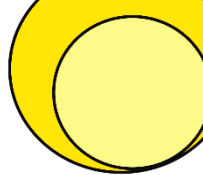
1. Create spaces to experience an encounter with God.
2. Build healthy and just relationships¹.
3. Risk going to the peripheries².
4. Go beyond our own boundaries³.

HOW:

- Journeying together, religious and lay, as Companions in Mission⁴.
- Providing formation⁵ relevant to our times.
- Living more deeply the Ignatian Spirituality.
- Creating flexible structures⁶.
- Initiating projects⁷ in response to realities where life is crying out.
- Educating in all social milieu.

WITH PREFERENCE FOR:

- Youth.
 - Vulnerable and poor, especially women and children.
 - Our "Common Home"⁸.
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GLOSSARY

- 1- Healthy and just relationships: Equal, inclusive, respectful, fostering dignity and growth.
- 2- Peripheries: Those who are outside the system and do not count. The excluded, voiceless, those who do not know God and those without meaning in life.
- 3- Go beyond our own boundaries: To go out of ourselves to share the Good News. To create networks to work at the levels of interprovincial, intercongregational, interfaith, intergenerational, intercultural, international...
- 4- Companions in Mission: Lay people and Religious journeying together in the charism of Jesus and Mary and in the mission of the Church.
- 5- Formation: initial and on-going formation in spiritual, professional and pedagogical studies, including religious and laity in view of Shared Mission.
- 6- Flexible Structures: adaptation of our lifestyle to respond better to current realities; open, adaptable, and available at all levels.
- 7- Projects: respond to immediate needs, which could be focused and short term.
- 8- Common Home: Cf. Encyclical Letter "LAUDATO SI" of the Holy Father Francis on Care for our Common Home, 2015.

