

Dear Brothers,

Grace and Peace

The members of the XV General Cenacle gathered for pre chapter in the city of Cuernavaca in Mexico. With your prayerful support, we took counsel from one another, attentively listening to the movement of the Holy Spirit's guidance towards the future. Recalling the loaves and fishes that Our Lord gathered, blessed and distributed, we celebrated the gift that Missionary Servants are for the Church and the World. There is abundance, there is hope, Our Lord providentially continues to nurture a spirituality that is unique, calls us to form community and be missionaries. We are to be formers of apostles, to preserve the Faith.



Our good Pope Francis I, exhorted us to the Joy of the Gospel. It is a particular joy for us to realize that so much in that document echoed the spirit that animated Fr. Judge and our Cenacle Family. And, yes, *unity does prevail over conflict, realities are more important than ideas and the whole is greater than the parts* (nos. 226-237). Using these three lenses we gathered the Regional Reflections and prayed, sifted and identified themes for the XV General Cenacle.

It is now time for us to return to our Regions and review with one another the results of our pre chapter exercise. It is so important for each of us to recognize the importance of a General Cenacle in our life and future. Not a single one of us would deny the words of Fr. Judge *“do hold yourselves responsible for the future of the Cenacle”*. We need to schedule a Regional meeting as promptly as possible so as to take counsel together on what the pre chapter has identified as General Cenacle themes. Regional reports are due back to the coordinating committee by February 28th, 2015.

Consider if these themes will move us towards the future in following the footsteps of the Lord. Can we perceive the personal call to renewal and conversion? In the reality that today we hold dear, that we are a 21st century Religious Congregation of multi cultural, multi lingual, multi generational consecrated men, is this the path that will renew us as a Congregation and as part of the Missionary Cenacle Family? This is a sacred moment, a Holy Spirit moment, a moment for *taking counsel*. Our gathering as Regions requires a privileged priority.

Please review the themes identified by the pre chapter, the suggested agenda for the regional meeting, and the calendar dates leading up to General Cenacle.

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