

GENERAL CONFERENCE 2015

Words of welcome

Dear Brothers,

On behalf of all the brothers who serve the Institute in this community of the General House, I express to you my fraternal welcome to this house and to the General Conference.



May you feel as if you were in your own house.

In the opening of this Conference we remember the words of Jesus to his disciples: "Come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while" (Mk 6, 31).

It is for you a grace of God to have come so far from your home and to leave your usual occupations for a few

days . Let us take this time to live more intensely the encounter with the Lord Jesus.

May we discover during this encounter in a profound way the tenderness and mercy of God. It is the Heart of Jesus who brings us together. He is present among us who are gathered in his name.

Our Rule of Life expresses the desire that these days be "an occasion for sharing among participants, for concerted planning, for ongoing formation, and for mutual support in their service of authority (R A16).

May this experience help us to live more fully our motto "Ametur Cor Jesu! Ametur Cor Mariae!

Thanks to everyone.

Brother José Ignacio Carmona Ollo, s.c.

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