



**ORGANISMO MUNDIAL DE CURSILLOS DE CRISTIANDAD – MÉXICO 2018-2022**  
**VIII Encuentro Mundial – VIII World Encounter**  
**1-4 de diciembre 2022 – 1<sup>st</sup> -4<sup>th</sup> December 2022**  
**Mar del Plata – Argentina**  
*“Con un corazón misionero, siempre en movimiento”*  
*“With a missionary heart, always on the move”*

## **MOTTO – OBJECTIVE – SUBJECT**

### **INTRODUCTION**

The convening of a meeting of the OMCC – Executive Committee and International Groups – in Rome, from 30<sup>th</sup> May to 3<sup>rd</sup> June, by the Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life, had the purpose of reaching an agreeing on a new form of government of the MCC at the world level. As a result of the agreed proposal, it was decided to modify the Statute of the OMCC in the articles that would be affected – directly or indirectly – by said proposal and submit them to the discernment of the DLFL. It was also agreed to hold two World Encounters (in December 2022 and in May 2023) to implement, successively, the approval of the text of the modified Statute and, after the DLFL Decree that will recognize said approval, the election of the new OMCC.

The realization of a World Encounter, however, cannot be confined to reading and approving a statutory text, although this is essential for the OMCC to be able to carry on its work. A World Encounter is always a forum for reflection and review of the guidance that the MCC must follow so that, in fidelity to its referential frameworks (the Statute itself, the Decree of Canonical Recognition and the Book of Fundamental Ideas) it can continue to be a valid instrument of evangelization in the contemporary world.

The need to approve "the new form of government" is not the cause, but the consequence of what is going to be experienced at the VIII World Encounter... Hence the need that the subject – to be presented in four moments, by four people – be stressed by the central idea of its *motto* and towards its *objective* that is explained as follows.

### **Motto:**

*“With a missionary heart, always on the move”*

As a Church movement, the MCC must reflect in its praxis the call of the Holy Father towards a "Church that goes forth", maintaining fidelity to its own charism, without clinging to characteristics of the past, which had great importance in its origin and in its development but, for the MCC to continue to bear fruit, now need to be reviewed.

### **General objective:**

*Reflecting on the urgent renewal of the MCC in the face of the challenges that the current reality presents to the evangelization of environments, proposing updated responses with a clear sense of synodality, of fidelity to the Church, the Pope and his Magisterium, which allow it to continue being a vanguard movement in the "first announcement" with a new form of government at the world level.*

The objective of the VIII WE is perfectly reflected in its motto. The renewal of the MCC cannot be postponed in every sense: in its agents, in its discourse, in its structures. The young people who were the first in the origins of the MCC are a minority today and must be welcomed and prepared to take the lead. The discourse has to be adapted to the needs of the men and women of today whom we are called to evangelize new language, new communication technologies, new values – all of this has to be considered at the moment of making the first announcement with a view to conversion. The structures of the MCC must be more dynamic and operational so that friendship and efficiency, fidelity and creativity, spirituality and witness can be combined within them.

**Subject:**

The subject covered in order to, according to the *motto*, achieve the *objective* and reflect together to debate the necessary modifications to the Statute, with a view to the new form of government at the world level, foresees four perfectly linked stages: **1)** A look at the world in permanent change, that places us before the challenges to which, as Catholic Christians, we must respond in order to fulfil the common mission of the Church within our specific function as lay faithful; **2)** An option to give these responses in synodality, as our time demands and as the DLFL itself asks from the leaders of ecclesial movements; **3)** An actual suggestion on how the MCC can go further, landing – with its mentality, strategy and method derived from its charism – in the reality of this new time that demands different and specific ways of seeking to quench the hunger and thirst for evangelization of the world of today; **4)** An attitude of courage to adapt the structures of the MCC to the new times so that they can provide a better service to the evangelization of the world in which we live.

**Themes:**

First Theme: *The reality to be evangelized: the challenges of a changing world* – Msgr. Gabriel Mestre

Second Theme: *The Church's response: acting in synodality* – Msgr. Faustino Armendáriz

Third Theme: *The MCC's answer: It is time to go further* – Mari Loli Negrillo

Fourth Theme: *A new form of service to the Movement* – Juan Adolfo Moguel Ortiz