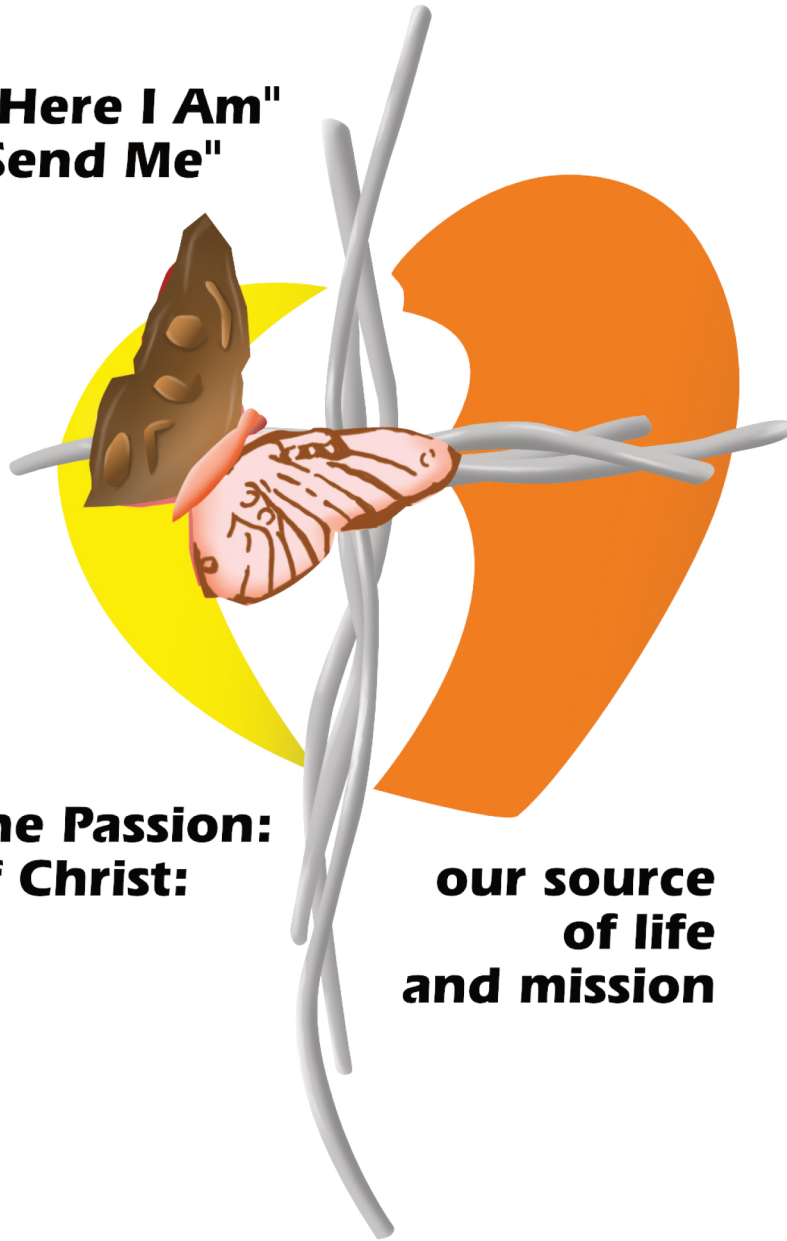


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**48th GENERAL
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October 22

On October 22, at 8:00 AM, the religious gathered in the Chapter Hall. The Superior General greeted the assembly and announced the absence of three capitulars for health reasons. He invited Group 9 to lead the prayer time. After an invitation to meditate on an image of Jesus Christ in Gethsemane, Mt 6:6 and some spiritual thoughts of St. Paul of the Cross were read and concluded with images of a video of a contemplative dance.

The president asked each person to look to see if there are any absentees at their table. All the chapter members were present. He informed that the CCC has asked Fathers Rafael Vivanco, David Colhour, Luigi Vaninetti and Germán Méndez, to prepare a message to be sent to the laity of the Passionist Family. The capitulars responded favorably to the request .

Father Yago spoke and asked Fr. Ángel Antonio Pérez, secretary of Fusion Group 1-7, to present the result of the work on "Interior Life". All three 'action steps', proposed as recommendations received a favorable orientation vote.

Next, Father Yago asked Father Lelis Adonis Villanueva, secretary of Fusion Group 4-8, to present the outcome of the work on "Membership". The first five 'action steps', proposed as recommendations received a favorable orientation vote. The sixth action step received two votes, both favorable. In the first, the text as presented was accepted; in the second, the following modification was proposed: 'inclusion of the laity in ongoing formation'. 'Actions' seven, eight and nine, proposed as recommendations, received a favorable orientation vote.

Father Yago then asked Father Denis Travers, secretary of the 3-5 fusion group, to present the outcome of the work on "Leadership." All six 'actions', proposed as recommendations, received a favorable orientation vote.

Next, the moderator asked Father David Colhour, secretary of fusion group 2-6, to present the outcome of the work on "New Ministries." All six 'actions', proposed as a recommendations, received a favorable orientation vote.

The Superior General proposed the following drafting committee to draft the 'action steps' approved by the orientation votes: Frs. Łukasz Andrzejewski, Jesús Aldea, Matteo Piccioni and James Sweeney. The Chapter members voted in favor.

At the conclusion of the afternoon session, Father Kenneth took the floor and presented the image of the ceramic artist and referred to the chapter members as the clay that needs to be shaped. He gave thanks for the long day and hard work. He greatly appreciated the morning prayer and the preamble to "New Ministries". He, finally, invoked the Holy Spirit to remain with the capitulars even in the last days so that they would be fruitful in God's mission entrusted to them.