

## RECONCILIATION

"Lay Saletenses - Called and sent - The joy of Reconciliation"

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Dear brothers in faith. Good Health and peace to you all.

The 3rd. International Meeting of La Salette Laity has finished. The theme of the Meeting "La Salette Laity - Called and Sent - The Joy of Reconciliation" is a constant challenge: to bring joy to the world in which we live, full of violence, neglect, lack of God...



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In La Salette Mountain, where Our Lady delegated to two young shepherds the mission of spreading her Apparition and her Message of Reconciliation, 64 participants reflected on this special moment for 10 days. Among the participants there were the members of the General Council, the National Coordinators and the appointed lay persons. In the grace of La Salette, we are all prophets for a reconciled world.



In addition to being at the site of the Apparition, we had the entire organizational structure set up there at our disposal. The General Council, always attentive to our needs, made everything available so that we didn't lack anything. The Organizing Committee of the Meeting fulfilled the established goals and the participants were authentic witnesses of faith and participation. The Administration of the Sanctuary, through its Rector, its Directors and other collaborators, facilitated our coexistence, so that we lacked nothing. Guest speakers shared their experiences and knowledge so that they could feed our aspirations. God and his dear Mother gave us health, balance and wisdom.

In particular, I think that we feel more and more part of the great La Salette Charismatic Family. We acquire the right to be brothers in faith, sharing the same charism and thus becoming heirs of the apparition.

We are not looking for quantity, but quality, as Father Silvano Marisa, MS reminded us. Of the hundreds or thousands that approach our Parishes or our Shrines, we look for some – just a few – who want to make a "leap in quality", which begins with the Basic Formation Plan.

We return to our countries full of the grace we have received. We have no right to remain silent. Our experience in the Illuminated Mountain sends us to divulge and to tell everything that happened there. Our silence will be like a book that never leaves its shelf. This book must be opened daily.

Now, the mission continues. Some national coordinators must continue to provide the necessary support in their Provinces, Regions or Districts; others must, together with their Spiritual Directors, initiate the Movement of the La Salette Laity. I remind you, once again, of the need to implement the Basic Formation Plan approved by the participants of the 2016 International Meeting and approved at the 2018 General Chapter. I remind you of my recurring dream as the International Coordinator of La Salette Laity: to fulfill what it was decided in the higher spheres. This dream will come true with the collaboration of all of you.

Maximin and Melanie were faithful during their lives. Let us also faithful to our manifest purposes that were marked on La Salette Mountain, in 2011, during the 1st. International Meeting of La Salette Laity.



Delegation participating in the 3rd. International Meeting of La Salette Laity

Fraternally,

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