~From our Roots to the Frontiers ~ 2013 ~ The work of cultivating a world garden is in our hands, as far as we can reach.

Following the 16th World Assembly in Lebanon, Canada's 3 delegates are home with much to digest and contemplate. The goal of sending home daily reports was a shared responsibility by Mary Balfe, Leanne Salel and Fr. Charlie. For e-newsletter details of the 10 days please see our website www.christianlifecommunity.ca under Newsletters/ Special Edition. Many thanks to Gerri Tingley our webmaster, for getting the news posted so promptly over the days of assembly.

Meet our newly elected World Executive!



President: Mauricio Lopez (Mexico) - Vice President: Edel Churu (Kenya)
Secretary: Najat Sayegh(Lebanon) - Consultors - 4:
Denis Dobbelstein (Belguim Fr) - Chris Hogan (Australia)
Ann-Marie Brennan (U.S.A.) - Josephine Shamwana-Lungu (Zambia)



Here stands the North American delegates...even Mexico stood with us!

North American Region photo with Fr. Nicolas Adolpho

North American delegates (English Canada, French Canada and USA) met twice to share the 'what, 'where' and 'how' of our CLC journeys as apostolic bodies and recognize that time will open opportunities for greater collaboration. USA is currently focused on building their apostolic body after its major discerned restructuring of regions. CVX French Canada and English Canada are grateful for the way the Spirit has been leading us to lean on one another through international apostolic mission seeking a greater "friendship in the Lord," despite language challenges.

Interestingly enough this same desire is evoked at the French and English Jesuit level in Canada with measured steps to the frontiers together with Ignatian communities. **Fr. Peter Bisson, The Jesuit Provincial has invited CLC once again** to be present for a thorough and specific meeting of Ignatian communities to investigate the flavour of perspective apostolic works, assisting future envisioning of discerned collaborative ventures. We are not alone!

The World Assembly final document detailing the experience and recommendations from the assembled delegates of 66 countries is <u>attached</u>. It highlights for you the deeper call of the Fatima priorities through the issues of globalization/poverty, family and ecology. The assembly presentations will be available next month.

News of Egypt's tragic events with Islamic forces, keeps one's perspective sharp especially having met CVX Egyptian delegates, Raafat and Ramez, speaking of formation and the need of trained Guides as well as experiencing Ramez' translation skills...Arabic to English. Ramez wrote from Cairo, Egypt to all the delegates keeping us updated. The outpouring of care has reached beyond the assembly into the lives of one another where life and safety are a concern.

There is something new in the air from this assembly;
a sincere desire to act as an apostolic
world body, keeping in touch to support one
another,
where the Spirit is guiding our
collective response.



Welcome back Peter! We have work to do!! Peace+ and prayers for the continued transformation of all, Mary