## Brief update for Central CLC-CVX from Central EA: Saturday, October 05, 2013

Our regional assembly at Manresa this Sept was a richly hallowed time for Central. Our Central team worked hard and well – before during and after the event. Jack Milan's presence as well as that of Fr Mario Serrano SJ from Hispaniola were singularly graced times for Our CLC Way of Life. We rallied around the "service" pillar for the



Figure 2Chuchu displaying his writing skills –prep school La Cienaga – "the smell of the sheep!"

disadvantaged kids and their parents in the slum of La Cienaga, Santo Domingo. Moreover, we did it together. Our 'Common Apostolic Mission' at work!

Just after Easter, I visited La Cienaga and met with Centro Bono, San Ignacio parish, the teachers and children in our

prep school. The classroom was falling between the cracks so a

meeting with Fr Max Michel, SJ, Sr Francesca Mejia, Fr Rafael (pastor at that time) got things back on track for the current semester. CLC Central is helping the prep school kids with four teachers, supplementary nutrition, psychological counseling. We are doing this by collaborating together with the above. A group



Figure 1 ;>r: Sister Francesca, Fr Rafael SJ - both Sr & Fr live in/next to La Cienaga

from Brussels (Belgium), and of course CVX Canada – and we hope, in due course, with CVX Dominican Republic.

Central is also collaborating with Fr Archange SJ and Eleonore & Denis Tcheuntes of Port-au-Prince in CVX formation for young adults. They are a very impressive group.



Figure 3Our visit with Eleonore & Denis Tchuente & the nascent CVX Port au Prince. Scholastic Boniface SJ,Ottawa, is a close friend of the Tcheuntes

They and we hope to become a world community at the next CLC-CVX world Assembly.

Community visits and promoting the CLC-CVX way of life are high on the agenda for the next trimester. Together with D&P, Kairos, CJI and

others the mining boondoggle and denationalization of Haitians in the DR will likely figure highly in our next global partnership. $\Omega$