

Prot. MG 55/21

**Re:** communication of new Provincial Councils "N. S. Aparecida" (Brazil) and Missionary Delegations (Ivory Coast - Kenya).

Rev. Provincial and Regional Superiors Provincial and Regional Councils To all the LMSC

#### **Dearest Sisters!**

I am pleased to write to all of you to share some family communications. It is not only for your knowledge: what I aim, above all, is to feel deeply the sense of belonging to the one Congregation, and thus be able to thank the Lord for the good that, in the name of Don Orione, it is taking place in the various nations where we are present. Then, to support with prayer the Sisters called to the service of authority in some of these realities, especially during this time.

For the Province "N. S. Aparecida" (Brazil-Cape Verde), after having made the Consultation in accordance with our Constitutions, the Provincial Superior and Council have been appointed for the three-year term 2022-2025. It will come into force on January 1, 2022.

## APPOINTMENT OF THE PROVINCIAL SUPERIOR AND COUNCIL OF THE PROVINCE "N. S. APARECIDA" (Brazil – Cape Verde)

Sr M. Eva de Paula Souza	<b>Provincial Superior</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> term
Sr M. Rufina da Luz Pinheiro	1st Councillor - Vicar	4 <sup>th</sup> term
		(with Derogation of the CICLSAL)
Sr M. Aparecida Rodrigues	2 <sup>nd</sup> Councillor	1 <sup>st</sup> term
Sr M. Gilse Pereira Dias	3 <sup>th</sup> Councillor – Secretary	1 <sup>st</sup> term
Sr M. Lúcia Adriana Santiago	4 <sup>th</sup> Councillor	1 <sup>st</sup> term
Sr M. Ângela Aparecida Aristides	5 <sup>th</sup> Councillor - Treasurer	2 <sup>nd</sup> term

Let us entrust to the Lord the service of these sisters who have accepted the difficult task of governing and animating the Province in these three years with a great availability and spirit of service.

But let us also dispose our hearts to collaborate actively and generously with them, being aware that we all are the Province and that we all contribute to build it. Responsible participation is thus fundamental for the Province to be fruitful in holiness, in fraternity and in works of charity, depending on what each one is called to carry out in her own community.

Let us also thank and pray for the Sisters who have concluded their service as Provincial Councillors: Sr. M. Irisneide Carneiro de Souza, Sr. M. Bernadeth Martins de Oliveira and Sr. M. Rosemary Azevedo, who have done their utmost in collaboration and faithful fulfillment of the tasks entrusted in this three-year term. May the Lord bless you!

#### ERECTION OF TWO MISSIONARY DELEGATIONS FOR AFRICA AND ASIA

In accordance with Articles 222, 223 and 224 of our Constitutions, and after consulting all the Sisters of Perpetual Vows and Temporary Vows, through an on-line form, the General Council has set up a "Delegation" of the reality of the missions in Africa and Asia. It will come into force on January 1, 2022.

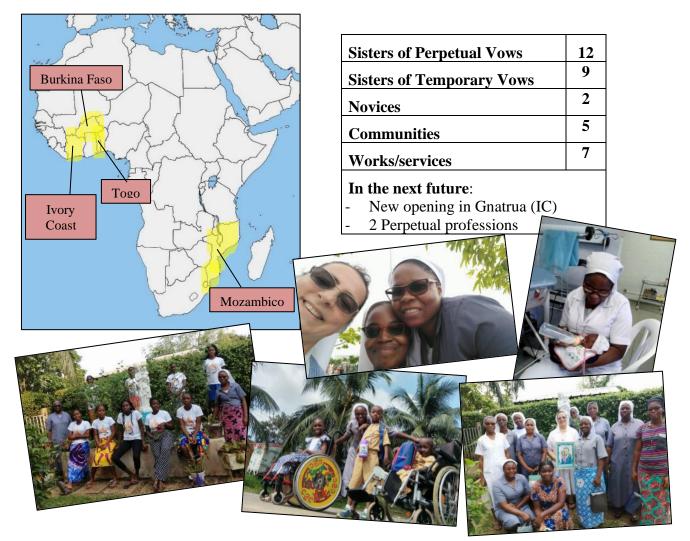
The decision to erect the two missionary Delegations is fundamental because it indicates the growth and development of these realities, both as an apostolic expansion in services and works, and also as vocational fruitfulness for the presence of Sisters of perpetual vows, who are native of the place. It will also allow to the Sisters, incardinated to these two Delegations, the full and active participation in the General Chapter.

### APPOINTMENT OF THE REGIONAL SUPERIOR AND COUNCIL OF THE DELEGATION "OUR LADY OF HOPE"

Sr M. Silvina Babot	Regional Superior	1 <sup>st</sup> term
Sr M. Justine Razanabahoaka	1 <sup>st</sup> Councillor - Vicar	1 <sup>st</sup> term
Sr M. Jacqueline Sawadogo	2 <sup>nd</sup> Councillor	1st term
Sr M. Clémence Amon Agoussi	3 <sup>rd</sup> Councillor - Secretary	1 <sup>st</sup> term

• Sr. M. Jocelyne-Armande N'guessan was asked to help the Treasurer, outside the Council.

**The Delegation** "Our Lady of Hope" is made up of the communities present in the Ivory Coast, Togo, Burkina Faso and Mozambique.



# APPOINTMENT OF THE REGIONAL SUPERIOR AND COUNCIL DELEGATION "MOTHER OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE"

Sr M. Margaret	Regional Superior	1st term
Sr M. Alicja Kaszczuk	1 <sup>st</sup> Councillor - Vicar - Treasurer	1st term
Sr M. Anisia Warue	2 <sup>nd</sup> Councillor	1st term
Sr M. Selina Ndewa	3 <sup>rd</sup> Councillor	1st term
Sr M. Iolanda Mendes de Oliveira	4 <sup>th</sup> Councillor	1st term

➤ The **Delegation** "*Mother of Divine Providence*" is made up of the communities present in Kenya, Tanzania and the Philippines (former Vice-Delegation "*Mother of Mercy*").

Sisters of Perpetual Vows	26	
Sisters of Temporary Vows	15	
Novices	11	
Postulants	11	
Communities	7	Kenya
Works/services		Philippines
In the next future: - Opening of a new Commu in Kenya	nity	Tanzania
- Opening in Indonesia		

Given the characteristics of this Delegation which, in the new configuration, has united the realities of Africa and Asia, for the moment, it will continue to be accompanied by the General Treasurer, Sr. M. Jòzefa Kalinowska.

A territorial coordination of animation has been appointed for the communities present in the Philippines, coordinated by the Regional Councillor together with all the Sisters of Perpetual Vows present in the Philippines, depending on the **Regional Council** and with defined functions. The General Treasurer will participate in the meetings of this coordination.

### **Territorial coordination for the Philippines:**

- Regional Councillor: Sr. M. Iolanda Mendes de Oliveira
- **Sisters of perpetual vows**: Sr. M. Rosa Zbicajnik (Sr. M. Caterina Adelfio, Sr M. Carol Sparaco and Sr. M. Annick Razafimalala starting from their arrival in the Philippines)
- **General Treasurer:** Sr M. Jòzefa Kalinowska

I now take this opportunity to thank Sr. M. Graciela Pettiti, also on the behalf of the General Councillors. In the next few days she will be returning to Argentina. She has been present in the mission of the Philippines since the beginning, and has contributed to the development of the charism and to the growth of the YVP, with great generosity, sacrifice and love, particularly in Indonesia and East Timor. May the Lord accompany her with his grace and make fruitful the "sowing" that she has left in this mission in Asia.

Let us entrust these realities, the Councils and each Sister to the intercession of St. Luigi Orione. May them know how to walk in creative fidelity to the charism, in response to the appeals that Pope Francis is offering to the whole Church to "be an outgoing Congregation", to embody a "synodal" lifestyle and to exercise discernment in the Spirit. Also, to be "at the head of the times" as our Founder wanted, in response to the challenges of the present moment.

Let us remain united under the mantle of Mary, "N. S. Aparecida", "Mother of Divine Providence" and "Our Lady of Hope", and let us join her in Her song so that the Lord can do "great things" in us, because "Caritas Christi urget nos!".

I embrace you all fraternally in the Lord and greet you, also in the name of the General Councillors.

Sr. Que Sil Hagrousty
Sr M. Mabel Spagnolo
Superior general

Rome, Generalate House, December 5th, 2021.