

Unfolding the founding grace...

Journeying together with realism and hope...



The day began with the prayer conducted by our African sisters:

"Guide us on the paths of the earth, Lead us to the men and women, our brothers and sisters.

They invited us to pray with a text from our Constitutions (Supplement 5/3):

We discern our apostolic service according to the following priorities:

- we respond to the questions raised and challenges presented by the society in which we live, ever conscious of preferential option for the poor.
- we seek out needs and choose apostolic priorities not addressed.

Then in small groups we shared the fruits of our personal prayer, especially the graces and the disturbances (challenges, obstacles, darkness). Then, in the assembly, we projected a grace and a disturbance given by each group and we shared our experience and our feelings from what we have lived and heard.

In the afternoon, Elena Lasida gave us a conference based on Pope Francis' two encyclicals 'Laudato si' and 'The Joy of the Gospel', in three parts:

- A very important and shattering turning point that makes us rethink the change of civilization.
- The key to this turning point points us to a new world: to the the search for newness and hope.

In this context, what will be our approach as religious?

Today's call is "To be creators and not just fabricators."

The assembly then voted on the minutes prepared by the Chapter Secretary, Sr. Maria Del Pilar.