**Florida Assembly**

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“Raw Data”

7 tables

**March 9, 2019**

After prayer and sharing with one another, we believe that we need to have deep conversations at Chapter 2020 on the three areas listed below.

**Table 1** (Two areas submitted)

1. Focus on community life – wider and deeper
2. Creating an environment of presence and what that means

**Table 2** (Two areas submitted)

1. Authentic presence/living the Gospel courageously

**Why is this important?** Baptismal call, Rule, Mission Statement

Responds to what the world needs

1. Witnessing to our Franciscan Charism/as Instruments of Peace

**Why is this important?** It is what the world/society needs

**Table 3**

1. Being an authentic presence today in our local communities and in the larger community

**Why is this important?** Living our charism as Franciscan-Clarian women of hope

1. As a congregation to focus on one issue to help lead us from “I” to “We”

**Why is this important?** Common good

1. Be women of peace in a world filled with violence

**Why is this important?** That’s our charism and Gospel value

**Table 4**

1. Living Gospel life, being women of hope in today’s reality
2. Being a voice against injustice (e.g. issues of immigration, trafficking, abortion)
3. Addressing “how” and with whom we can minister in our times

**Table 5**

1. Communal – Chapter Prayer

Trafficking, climate change, global issues

Live Gospel authentically

1. Instruments of Peace – share in creative – social justice – voice

Living with Diversity

1. How relevant are we today – witness

Conscious of presence now – witness

How we live as women of hope

**Table 6**

1. Being instruments of peace in a world of violence

**Why is this important?** It addresses the ills of society and is our Franciscan call

1. Live the evangelical life (gospel!) with deeper surrender to the realities of our lives without feeling powerless – seeking ways to overcome

**Why is this important?** projects hope! Embodies the Peace Prayer

1. Relevance of religious life today (what distinguishes us) – importance of ministry and presence- being present in an intentional way

**Why is this important?** one of the gifts religious life offers – alternative way of living the gospel

**Table 7**

1. Franciscan-Clarian charism-lived in a diverse world

**Why is this important?** Hope-filled

1. Integrity of Creation

**Why is this important?** Wholistic approach for the common good

1. Given the wisdom of our age how does our presence embody the Peace prayer?

**Why is this important?** Presence is our gift

**Easton, PA Assembly**

4 tables

**March 30, 2019**

After prayer and sharing with one another, we believe that we need to have deep conversations at Chapter 2020 on the three areas listed below.

**Table 1**

1. To deepen our own spirituality and charism to share this with other, especially youth

**Why is this important?** because we can do this now and have nothing to lose

1. Our presence – courageous, compassionate, hopeful, Gospel-based, prophetic and to be a healing antidote to violence in the Church and world

**Why is this important?** our vision of the future

1. Care of Creation – to leave the earth for future generations

**Table 2**

1. Respect for all creation

**Why is this important?** CREATION Gift from God deserves respect and protection

1. Being the prophetic, courageous, hope-filled presence of God in our world

**Why is this important?** We are “called to be” – Franciscan charism

1. Associates and FSA members transmitting charism “together”

**Why is this important?** Projected, expanding charism into the future – Look for strength within Associate community to expand our charism. Remain WE not I.

**Table 3**

1. How to live radically the Gospel and our Franciscan charism through our presence. This includes outreach to all, youth, immigrants, the church, the poor and marginalized.

**Why is this important?** Presence is what we have to offer today. The needs of the world require a Franciscan presence.

1. Care for creation – requires advocacy and action

**Why is this important?** Not caring for creation will affect those who are poor more than anyone else. The future generations depend on our care. Creation is a gift of God that needs to be acknowledged.

1. Peacemaking - how to live the Peace Prayer

**Why is this important?** Violent culture is prevalent. Franciscan charism calls us to be peacemakers on all levels.

**Table 4**

1. Engaging and enhancing a care and integrity of creation and Mother Earth
2. Prophetic and radical living of the gospel and charism as Franciscan Sisters of Allegany and Associates
3. Being peacemakers, a healing presence and credible witness of the church.

**Allegany Assembly**

11 tables

**April 13, 2019**

After prayer and sharing with one another, we believe that we need to have deep conversations at Chapter 2020 on the three areas listed below.

**TABLE 1**

1. God is doing something new in our aging community. We have to face the reality and look to membership at this time. How can we increase new members? Today permanent commitments are rare and not popular with younger women. Therefore, we suggest our congregation consider temporary vows for future members.

**Why is this important?** In order to increase membership and attract younger women traditional permanent vows have to be of the past for the younger generation.

**TABLE 2**

1. Diminishment

**Why is this important?** It is our reality to be fully faced and fully lived.

1. Multicultural, inter-racial awareness/attitudes

**Why is this important?** Very important in multiple areas of violence, poverty, migration, etc.

1. Environment

**Why is this important?** We can/must make personal and community based changes – to be good and faithful ancestors.

**TABLE 3**

1. How do we encourage non-violence in the face of the problems of our world?
2. How do we deepen and develop hope and greater trust in God in this evolutionary process?
3. How do we journey with others to share the presence of God, God’s goodness and God’s purpose for God’s world?

**TABLE 4**

1. In our ministry reach out to others knowing they have the answers within themselves. Meeting people where they are. Listening – relying on God’s help.

**Why is this important?** People need to be accepted where they are. Important to be non-judgmental.

1. To grow in contemplative stance - more time to be contemplative - some

**Why is this important?** Open heart and God

Reach out We are one

Conduit to others As we pray become conduits to others

**TABLE 5**

1. Environmental justice issues for all of creation
2. Radical mindfulness, openness, and nonviolent awareness to all thru contemplative prayer.

**TABLE 6**

1. Address who we really are as a congregation in 2020 – prepare to pass on our legacy – look at new ways to be and to live our charism and mission.
2. Environment – care for creation – there are doable things we all can do.

**Why is this important?** God given gift – our common home

1. To be and to witness in a countercultural, prophetic way to the issues of our world.

**TABLE 7**

1. How do we live non-violence as we face the current conditions of our world?

**Why is this important?** It is the Gospel values and our charism in action.

1. Growing in our contemplative prayer life (individually and communally) so as to bring healing to the church and the world.

**Why is this important?** Need to let God pray through us and guide us in our words and actions.

1. Better develop our relationship with Associates and partners in ministry as a way of extending our charism and Franciscan-Clarian Spirituality

**Why is this important?** It is important to journey with others to pass on God’s goodness through our charism and legacy.

**TABLE 8**

1. As Franciscan Gospel women of prayer, we are called to heal the brokenness of our Church through the use of our resources and gifts (e.g. spirituality, hospitality, contemplative listening)

**Why is this important?** Self-explanatory

1. As Franciscan Gospel women of prayer, we are committed to nonviolence as we respond to the realities of today such as: abuse of earth, plight of migrants, etc.

**TABLE 9**

1. Environment – care for our planet
2. Immigration/Migration
3. Church

**Why is these important?** These are the major vision that confront our society and world every day. What is our roles as FSA? Having charism, mission, spirituality as the foundation of who we are and live our lives.

**TABLE 10**

1. Mission – Charism – Spirituality

**Why is this important?** It is gospel living, contemplative living and responding non-violently

1. Environmental justice

**Why is this important?** This is steeped in our Franciscan Spirituality. To reconnect with Bonaventure’s teaching of the Book of Creation; listen and respond!

1. Attunement to the world’s and societal needs as peacemakers and healers.

**TABLE 11**

1. Letting go of things the way we think they are. (accept change)

(clears/leaves)

**Why is this important?** Can’t go forward/room for imagination.

Putting trust in God that He will help us forward

**9 Tables**

**Brazil Assembly**

**April 12th to 14th**

After prayer and sharing with one another, we believe that we need to have deep conversations at Chapter 2020 on the three areas listed below.

**Table 1 (3 areas submitted)**

1. Sustainability of creation based upon the Franciscan charism as a mission of the Congregation of the Franciscan Sisters of Allegany.

**Why is this important?** Because It is vital to giving continuity to mission on Planet Earth.

1. Humanism – Partnership – Appeals/Call from the Church – Mission – Partnership – violence (we have not reached consensus)
2. Leadership Training – Violence – Mission (we did not reach consensus)

**Table 2 (3 areas submitted)**

1. As consecrated women, and looking at our Franciscan Clarian charism, what is our mission in the Church?

**Why is this important?** Given the perspectives that the Amazon Synod points out to us, it is important to think about presence and the role of women in the Church.

1. The prophetic dimension of the various forms of Community Life.

**Why is this important?** Seeing some of today’s changes (social, economic, religious, etc.) it is necessary to reflect upon how they impact us and challenge our vocation reflecting our community life and Franciscan charism.

1. Interconnected Ecology/*Integrity of Creation*

**Why is this important?** It is current, concerning and wholistic. Reflects our prophetic stance before a capitalist world that seeks wealth

**Table 3 (3 areas submitted)**

1. Interconnected Ecology/*Integrity of Creation*

**Why is this important?** Call of the Church and Our Common Home. Global and vital Issue for the future of humankind.

1. Mission and Charism.

**Why is this important?** Because the charism sustains our mission. It nourishes and sustains Religious Life.

1. Human Solidarity.

**Why is this important?** It intensifies a culture of encounter with oneself, with the other, with creation and with God.

**Table 4 (3 areas submitted)**

1. Charism and Franciscan Clarian Spirituality

**Why is this important?** It Is a gospel value that pervades and sustains our consecration and adherence to Jesus Christ.

1. Prophetic Dimension of the mission.

**Why is this important?** In order to respond to the Gospel call because

it moves our being and qualifies what we do.

1. The role of the women in the Church and in society.

**Why is this important?** Due to violence against women and discrimination *beginning with* the Amazon.

**Table 5 (3 areas submitted)**

1. The Mission of Consecrated Religious Life

**Why is this important?** Because it's a call of the Church “em saída” (that reaches out). Because it is what sustains our vocation. Because it is part of the itinerary of Religious Life.

1. Interconnected Ecology/Integrity of Creation – "Our Common Home".

**Why is this important?** Because it is a world issue, a call from the Church and it is one of the pillars of Franciscan Clarian sustainability.

1. Formation of Leadership from the perspective of humanizing actions (that promote dignity).

**Why is this important?** It is an urgent need of the Congregation in order to give continuity of the mission. The need for all the Sisters to be prepared to take up leadership at the service of Mission in Congregation.

**Table 6 (3 areas submitted)**

1. Mission

**Why is this important?** It responds to the Church that reaches out; an inspiration and the Pope's call; it is a response to Franciscan Clarian Spirituality.

1. Interconnected Ecology/Integrity of Creation

**Why is this important?** It's a response to the Synod regarding the Amazon as well as responds to what is “new” in Christianity; it responds to nature’s cry in the face of aggression from economic power.

1. Public Policies.

**Why is this important?** Working with youth (accompaniment, employment, education); Immigration/relationships that promote dignity; Women taking action in the Church and society.

**Table 7 (3 areas submitted)**

1. Integrity of Creation (sustainability)

**Why is this important?** It is a world issue; Great call from the Church which is reaching out;continuing life on the planet.

1. Mission

**Why is this important?** It's an appeal from the Church that is reaching out. The mission nourishes, motivates, gives meaning to our Consecration

1. Being in solidarity

**Why is this important?** It is a cry from the globalized world that has created a suffering society. We need to recognize those who are crying out

**Table 8 (3 areas submitted)**

1. Ecology

**Why is this important?** Because of current *appeals/cries*. The very reality of destruction and climate change.

1. Prophetic mission and itinerancy in Religious Life.

**Why is this important?** It is our way of responding to the Gospel call.

1. The role of women in society and in the Church

**Why is this important?** Because of the new challenges pointed out by the Amazon Synod. Because women are absent where decisions are made in the Church and in society.

**Table 9 (3 areas submitted)**

1. Ecology with a focus on the Amazon area
2. Relationships that promote human dignity and solidarity
3. Ecumenism

**Jamaica Assembly**

5 tables

**May 5, 2019**

After prayer and sharing with one another, we believe that we need to have deep conversations at Chapter 2020 on the three areas listed below.

**TABLE 1**

1. Reverence for God and All Creation

**Why is this important?** Impacts relationships with God and others; fosters respect for self, environment and others, i.e. being in right relationship with all creation.

1. Culture of Care and Hate

**Why is this important?** There is worldwide disregard for life. Positive values need to be transmitted and encouraged from generation to generation, by being prophetic witnesses.

1. Reverencing and living Gospel Values

**Why is this important?** We live in a culture of hate, fear and alternative facts, where truth is distorted and denied.

**TABLE 2**

1. Breakdown in Right Relationships especially in the family.

**Why is this important?** Because the breakdown affects family life, our mission and our workplaces. It leads to lack of respect, dishonesty and greed, and violence in various forms. This is a Franciscan value.

1. Climate crisis and climate denial

**Why is this important?** This is a current Global issue; there is need to care for, and protect the earth and its resources. This is a Franciscan value.

**TABLE 3**

1. Fostering relationship with each other based on deepening of Gospel values.

**Why is this important?** God’s commandments: Love God and neighbor

1. Acknowledging Climate Crisis through respect for all creation and conservation of our natural resources.

**Why is this important?** A worldwide concern – existence hinges on this – Franciscan value.

1. Giving prophetic witness by living with integrity.

**Why is this important?** Important to witness and draw others to the light.

**TABLE 4**

1. Breakdown of human values – e.g. racism, violence, abuse, disrespect.

**Why is this important?** Reality in all our societies and cultures.

1. Climate crises – lack of care and commitment.

**Why is this important?** Self-evidence – extreme weather and warming throughout the globe.

1. Lack of truth shown in corruption, cronyism – no justice causes broken relationships.

**Why is this important?** Affects the distribution of wealth and access to services, housing, education which stifles the economy as well as individuals.

**TABLE 5**

1. Fostering respect for one another as we try to understand our identity as children of God and to foster respect for all of creation.
2. We are surrounded by the culture of hate that is prevalent in our society, as is evident, by racism, discrimination, prejudices, and the breakdown of traditional values. We need to impart a culture of care based on gospel values.
3. We are concerned about the widespread use and legalization of drugs and opiates.