

Marianist Charism Checklist

Objective

Familiarize Coordinating Team members with language of the elements of the Marianist Charism and have them recognize how they live out the charism in their work and personal lives.

Supplies

- Program Binder
- Charism Checklist (attached)
- Charism Chart (attached)
- Pen
- Bible

Our Marianist Charism

THE FIVE ELEMENTS OF MARIANIST SPIRITUALITY		
CHRISTIAN ELEMENTS	FIXED AND EMPHASIZED	SPIRITUAL CHARACTERISTICS
MISSION	To form in the Faith To communicate the Faith To animate groups of Faith To evangelize society	Inclined and open to concrete methods of evangelization, with a providential sense of pastoral urgencies. - Meeting the critical, unmet needs.
COMMUNITY	Based on Faith and on personal relations (experience) Present in the world: missionary	Family Spirit In a state of permanent mission
FAITH	Personal attachment to Jesus in order to be progressively formed in conformity with Him	Systems of virtues Meditation on the Faith
MARY	Mother of Jesus Christ - Mary as Christ Bearer Mother who forms us - We as Christ Bearer Mary's role in Jesus' Mission	Consecration/Dedication by means of alliance Allow oneself to be formed by Mary - the Christ Bearer State of Mission
CHURCH	Intimate collaboration amongst its members: Brothers Lay Sisters All Inclusive priests	Marianist Family International National Regional Local <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; margin-left: 20px;">Discipleship Of Equals</div>

1. Prayer
2. Group Discussion (led by Regional Coordinator)
 - a. What is your official role on this Coordinating Team?
 - b. Why do you come back to LIFE?
 - c. How comfortable are you in describing the Marianist Charism to people who ask?
 - d. Who helped you introduced you to/understand/learn the charism?
3. Charism Checklist page 1 (15 minutes, individual activity)
 - a. Go through your schedule and see how your office (Regional Coordinator, Religious Life, Temporalities & Program) will illustrate elements of the charism in the coming weeks
 - b. Group sharing (15-20 minutes)

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4. Reflect (Please feel free to improvise):
Some of us listed the same activity for different elements of the charism, and sometimes they were for the same element. What is important in our work as formators of these students and adults is that what we believe as Marianists should run through everything we do. What we do is inherently the same as that of the Catholic Church, but as you all know, Marianists put a little spin in HOW we do things. We are not an alternate Church, we are a part of the Church. We are all a part of something bigger, and we all have the opportunity to profoundly impact these LIFERs and their moderators this week. We will no doubt learn from each other as well as learning about each other.
5. Personal Charism Checklist page 2 (20 minutes)
 - a. Group Sharing
6. Closing Prayer
 - a. Choose one item from your Personal Charism checklist, and read it aloud as a part of prayer:
eg. I am a person of faith by _____.
 - b. Once all have read their piece, end with a prayer of your choosing.

