



INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL SERVICES

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Dear friend,

Greetings from ICCRS Office in Rome!

I am writing to share what the Spirit of the Lord is doing in our midst in this extraordinary time of grace as we are preparing for the Golden Jubilee of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal in 2017. Pope Francis told the Charismatic Renewal in Rome's Olympic Stadium on 1 June, 2014: "I am waiting for all of you, Charismatics from around the world, to celebrate with the Pope, your great Jubilee at Pentecost 2017 in St. Peter's Square". The Holy Father has entrusted the organisation of the Great Jubilee to, International Catholic Charismatic Renewal Services (ICCRS) together with the Catholic Fraternity of Charismatic Covenant Communities and Fellowships (CFCCCF).

The Jubilee celebrations in Rome will begin with the general audience with the Holy Father on Wednesday, 31st May and will conclude with Mass in St Peter's Square on Pentecost Sunday 4th June 2017. For further information and registration details refer to the ICCRS website www.iccrs.org and to the specially designated Jubilee website:

<http://www.ccrgoldenjubilee2017.org/>

We have reports pouring in from all parts of the world about the ongoing preparations for celebration of the Jubilee at the diocesan, national and regional levels. Many of the Service Committees, communities and ministries are in the process of organizing pilgrimages to Rome to help maximum participation of the worldwide CCR family in the Golden Jubilee celebrations with the Holy Father.

Speaking about the Golden Jubilee, on 30 September, 2015, Pope Francis exhorted us: "Let it not be the celebration of a "movement", which you are not! Let it be the renewal of Pentecost for the Church and the world, together with all Christians who have lived the experience of "being born again" that Jesus spoke about with Nicodemus (Jn 3:3-6). The Church and the world need, today more than ever, the Holy Spirit!"

The Holy Father has been emphasizing that during this time of Jubilee care should be taken not to miss experiencing the newness of the Holy Spirit both in our personal lives and in our communities and fellowships. He has been encouraging us to; "share with everyone in the Church, the grace of baptism in the Holy Spirit." On June 12th 2015, at the 3rd Worldwide Priests' retreat, he asked the priests "to organise Life in the Spirit Seminars in your parishes, seminaries, schools and neighbourhoods." Therefore, ICCRS is also looking beyond the physical preparations of the Jubilee, in order to prepare and equip people as we pray for the experience of a New Pentecost for the Church and the world.

As a result of this, there has been a great response to the various ICCRS formation programs like Leadership Formation Institute (LFI), Leadership Training Course (LTC), Intercession Training Course (ITC), etc. offered to the world-wide Renewal. As you may know, our most recent program ITC with emphasis on prophetic intercession, is a Jubilee gift from ICCRS to the Church at large and it is helping promotion of intercession world-wide in a big way. We are also making good progress in our move to establish a University of the Holy Spirit, in Rome. This would be a unique place of learning, formation and growth in the life of the Holy Spirit. After the Jubilee, there are

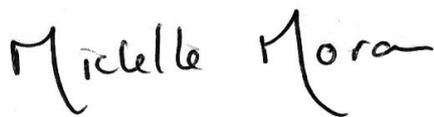
several new initiatives that ICCRS will gradually roll out as our continued service to the worldwide Renewal.

Obviously, all our plans and services are heavily dependent upon our financial resources. I can testify that in the 10 years of my Presidency of ICCRS, God has been so faithful to us. However, as we move forward through the Jubilee and beyond we need to expand and not just to survive. ICCRS is presently undergoing a serious financial crisis. Donations from the worldwide Renewal have been steadily diminishing against the sharp increase in operating costs. We know many people face economic challenges and we are doing all that we can to keep costs down. Currently, not including the extra burden of the Jubilee preparations, we calculate ICCRS needs €20.000,00 (Twenty Thousand Euros) per month to maintain its present level of service to the CCR worldwide. As you know, the main source of income at ICCRS is the tithes and donations we receive from NSC's, groups and supporters and well-wishers like you. Every year our Finance Committee has presented a report about our finances in the ICCRS Newsletter with a view to ensuring maximum transparency in our income and expenditure.

I take this opportunity to thank those of you who have supported ICCRS so faithfully over the years by your prayer and by sending a tithe or donation as an NSC, community or individual to help us to carry on our important mission.

At this crucial juncture in the history of CCR, I now write to make a special appeal to you to do all that you can to increase your financial support for ICCRS. We need to expand our service and provision of the Renewal beyond the Jubilee. You could transfer the amount to the ICCRS Office or pay by credit card through Pay Pal, the details of which are on the website ([http://www.iccrs.org/en/contribute/#How to contribute](http://www.iccrs.org/en/contribute/#How%20to%20contribute)). Let me assure you that every contribution, however big or small it may be, will go a long way in assisting the service of ICCRS for the renewal of the Church.

I assure you of my prayer and that of all at the ICCRS office staff as we begin every working day by praying for the intentions of the Renewal worldwide. I wish you and all the CCR family, extraordinary graces and blessings associated with the Jubilee!



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