

# ACT Newsletter

October 2018

"Be doers of the word and not hearers only." James 1:22

## XIV World Assembly of Christian Family Movements

Morelia, Michoacán,  
Mexico

July 12-14, 2019

"IN EVERY HOME,  
SHINE THE LIGHT OF CHRIST"

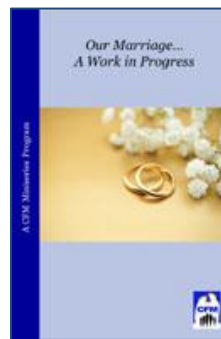


Over 140,000 families worldwide belong to a CFM. *You are invited to meet some of them next summer!* The World Assembly is held every 3 years, gathering members of CFM organizations from around the world. The last assembly, 2016, was in San Antonio, Texas, hosted by the North American CFM organizations, including CFM-USA.

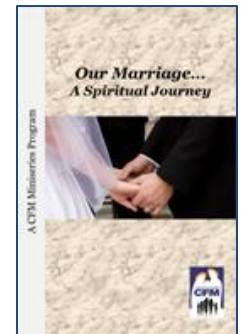
**Registration details are forthcoming.**

Visit <http://www.iccfm.org> to catch up on the missionary efforts of your CFM International Team in Ethiopia, Kuala Lumpur, Honduras, Vietnam, India, Ireland, and Philippines.

## MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT MINI-SERIES



As an Advent or Lenten action, invite couples in your parish to experience one of CFM's 4-meeting Marriage Programs. ***Our Marriage: A Work in Progress***

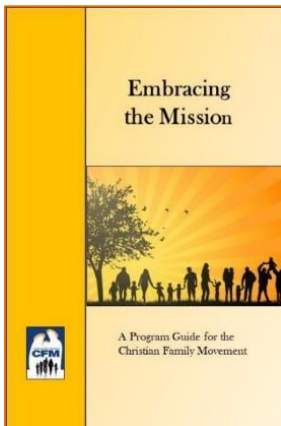


and ***Our Marriage: A Spiritual Journey***. Download free from our [Program](#)

[Materials page](#). Write to ACT and let us know about your action.

### ***Do You Shop on Amazon?***

Please take a moment to select "Christian Family Movement" as your charity of choice. <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/36-6217705>



## ***Embracing the Mission: Program 2018*** **NEW: LEADER GUIDE ONLINE!**

Now group leaders have access to background resources for excellent CFM

meetings and guides for planning relevant action. Download or read the Leader Guide on your tablet.

***Embracing the Mission*** has eight meeting topics designed to enliven our personal encounter with Jesus Christ, support our families' faith journey, strengthen our commitment to the Gospel, and deepen the spiritual life of our CFM groups.

***Embracing the Mission*** also includes 3 "Family and Community" Meetings to introduce more families at your parish to CFM.

## **Share Your Act**

For great ideas for your group's actions, visit [Action Ideas on the CFM webpage](#). Tell what you do to put your faith in action. Pictures help tell the story.

**Visit "Share Your Act" here & tell your story.**

LIKE [CFM's Facebook page](#) to receive weekly Gospel reflections and inspiration for spreading Good News.

READ [CFM's Blog for Family Spirituality insights](#), and find many more resources for successful groups at <http://www.cfm.org/>

## More for Marriage:

### Bonding as a Couple

#### Marriage Enrichment Activity

- by *Marriage Moments* author, Susan Vogt.

Here is a way to get in touch with what each other really cares about and what joys and burdens your spouse is carrying. It doesn't require much time (maybe 10-15 minutes). Share this Marriage Enrichment exercise with the couples in your parish - [Bonding as a Couple](#).

### Share your Marriage Testimony

Visit <http://www.iccfm.org> to see the witness stories of great CFM couples like **Jule and John Ward**, Portland, OR, and **Andy and Judy Pozdol**, Arlington Heights, IL. You will find a form to write and submit your own testimony of married love and vocation on the Testimonies page.



### Married Couples' Newsletter

**Christmas Gift idea** for that couple in your heart -- or for yourself!

Subscription to this excellent bi-monthly **online publication** is just \$20/1-year, \$25/2-years. New topic each issue.

To order subscriptions: <mailto:foundationseditor@gmail.com>

### Sample Pulpit Announcement:

"After mass today, the Christian Family movement will be welcoming new members. The Christian Family Movement promotes Christian marriage and family life, and helps people live their Christian faith in their everyday lives. Join other families to build a better world through actions of love, service, education, and example. It will make you a better spouse, a better parent, a better grandparent. It will help make your homes that which God intends them to be: true domestic churches and temples of the Holy Spirit."

### POLO SHIRTS FOR YOUR GROUP:



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Wear and share the news of CFM. All colors and sizes. Kids', too.

### Remembering with Gratitude



Past-Program Committee Chair,  
**Dr. James Johnson**, shepherded many CFM writing projects while he and his wife, Bev, served on the national board in the mid-1980s to early 1990s and early 2000s. Jim was a retired Political Science Professor, University of Nebraska Omaha. Jim died Aug 16, 2018. Thank you, Jim and Bev, for your service to CFM.

### BAPTIZED FOR MISSION



"The Christian faithful are those who, inasmuch as they have been incorporated in Christ through Baptism, have been constituted as the people of God; for this reason, since they have become sharers in Christ's priestly, prophetic, and royal office in their own manner, they are called to exercise the mission which God has entrusted to the Church to fulfill in the world, in accord with the condition proper to each one."

- Catechism of the