



4TH INTERNATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE LAITY OF THE CHEVALIER FAMILY CEBU CITY, PHILIPPINES

9 November 2023

Dear brothers and sisters in the Chevalier Family,

Greetings of Peace to you all from the Philippines!

I am writing to share with you the good news that I have received nominations for General Secretary and International Council member of the Laity of the Chevalier Family. With this letter, I send to you the following documents:

- nominations submitted; and
- acceptance of the nomination by the nominated member

I send you the documents in the original language of submission plus a deepL translation in English for the one received in Spanish. Kindly translate them in your own languages if necessary.

For General Secretary, the following have been nominated and have accepted the nomination: **Ms Alison McKenzie** from Australia (nominated by the Australian and the European Laity); and **Ms Doris Machado dos Santos** from Brazil (nominated by the laity from Latin America and the Caribbean).

For member of the International Council, **Ms Simone Cristina Incote** from Brazil has been nominated by the laity from Latin America and the Caribbean. She too has accepted the nomination.

Thank you to the lay groups of Australia, Europe and Latin America and the Caribbean for engaging in the first phase of our discernment process and for submitting your nominations.

A big thank you to Alison, Doris and Simone for your generous and courageous acceptance of the nomination.

We are now ready for the second phase of our discernment process.

Allow me to remind you of this process of discernment that we are following together, as Lay members of the Chevalier Family.

Phase 1: June to October 2023

This process of communal discernment officially started in June 2023 with the release of the Assembly Edition of ***Encounter of Hearts***. All National Councils or representative bodies in a country were invited to participate in the nomination and voting process for the next General Secretary and for members of the International Council. (see ***Encounter of Hearts***, page 34).

We asked all member countries to engage in a process of prayerful discernment with ALL their members about who best will fill these positions in the months leading up to the Assembly. To help in the discernment process, we shared the following relevant documents:

- The revised Guiding Principles and Organizational Directions of the Laity of the Chevalier Family. (pages 26-29);
- The Voting Process document for the position of General Secretary and for the appointment of International Council members. (pages 35-38); and
- The role statements and personal attributes for General Secretary and International Council (pages 38-40).

The nomination forms were also given in the same issue. (page 41). This phase concluded with the submission of the nominations to me, the Spiritual Companion.

Phase 2: November 2023 to January 2024

For phase 2 of the discernment process, we invite all member countries to continue this process of prayerful discernment, again, involving as many of your members as possible. We especially ask the members who are attending the Assembly in Cebu in January, and more particularly the person designated to vote during the Assembly, to actively engage in this process.

Remember to undertake this task in a prayerful spirit, recognizing that the choice to be made is for the common good of the whole of the Chevalier Family and is not based on personal or national preference. Listen to the Spirit speaking in your own heart and in the hearts of your companions. To the ones coming to the Assembly and voting, listen actively to the Spirit. Have conversations with your companions, many of whom will not be at the Assembly. Talk about the nominated candidates. Bring this matter to prayer. Allow the Spirit to choose through you.

Who is God calling to lead us in the next 6 years?

I ask you to read the information about the nominees that I send with this letter. Study the information in relation to the role statements found on pages 38 to 40 of ***Encounter of Hearts***. Reflect again on today's realities and the future state, needs and mission of the laity. Have spiritual conversations with other lay members and seek confirmation for what you hear in your heart.

In your discernment, you may “hear” other names. You know that there is still a chance to nominate during the Assembly itself. The candidates will be presented and new nominations accepted on January 23.

Phase 3 will be discernment during the Assembly and actual voting for the General Secretary which will happen in the evening of January 24.

May Mary, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, our mother be your inspiration and companion during this time of prayerful discernment in common.

I wish you blessed conversations with God and with each other as, together, you listen to the Spirit as one body. What a privilege, what an honor and what a responsibility our loving God has given you in choosing to choose His servants through you. May you exercise this privilege and fulfil this responsibility with joy, with gratitude and with care.

I look forward to welcoming many of you to Cebu this January!

May God bless you!

One with you in the Heart of Christ,



Sr Merle I. Salazar, fdnsc
Spiritual Companion
of the International Council
of the Laity of the Chevalier Family

Attachments:

1. Nomination for Alison from Australian Council
2. Nomination for Alison from European Council
3. Nomination for Alison from Slovakian Lay
4. Acceptance of Nomination from Alison
5. Nomination for Doris and Simone from the Lay Coordinators of Latin America and the Caribbean and their Acceptance – in Spanish (original)
6. Nomination for Doris and Simone from the Lay Coordinators of Latin America and the Caribbean and their Acceptance – in English (deepL translated)

Australian Council of the Laity of the Chevalier Family

"To be on Earth the Heart of God"
(Heart Spirituality Lived in an Australian Lay Context)



Nomination for the position of General Secretary International Council LCF

Nominee: Alison McKenzie

Alison has had involvement with the MSC for more than fifty years.

Alison has served the Lay Chevalier Family as General Secretary of the International Council for the past seven years. During her time in that role she has led a team in reviewing all aspects of the Guiding Principles adopted at the Assembly in Brazil as well as developing policies flowing from that document. The development and publication of *Encounter of Hearts* is just one example of how she has brought together a feeling of a worldwide family.

Alison has a background in education having served the community of Chevalier College, Australia, for many years.

When appointed to the role of Assistant Principal Mission at Chevalier College Alison guided the staff and students to a greater understanding of Spirituality of the Heart. One of the areas in which she was very successful was in the development of language that assisted young people to a greater understanding of the Chevalier Charism.

The Chevalier Institute in Australia is an organisation with the purpose of helping lay people to a greater understanding of the Charism. During her time in the role of Director of the Chevalier Institute Alison organised and conducted many retreats for staff in schools as well as developing many resources.

Alison is particularly gifted in the creation of retreat environments.

Alison has a deep understanding of Spirituality of the Heart and the vision of Jules Chevalier. She has the capacity to break it down to accommodate all levels of understanding. She has a wonderful gift in being able to continually remind us of the necessity of humility of the heart when reflecting on God's love for us through Jesus' heart.

The members of the National Council of LCF Australia recommend Alison most highly to the position of General Secretary.

Fred Stubenrauch (Chair National Council LCF, Australia)

October 26 2023



With deep respect and love, we acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people (the traditional custodians of this land) and their Elders - past, present, and emerging.



We commit to a "greater love for our Creator, each other, and the home we share".
(Laudato Si 14).

We live in the *Spirituality of the Heart* and are called to love and care for Creation.



NOMINATION FORM
GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE
INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE LAITY
OF THE CHEVALIER FAMILY

Name of nominator:

The European laity council

Date of nomination:

28.10.23

Name of nominee for the position of General
Secretary:

Alison McKenzie

Country of membership:

Australia

Biography of nominee (please outline contribution of
the nominee to the mission and ministry of the Laity
of the Chevalier Family in their country and the skills
and attributes they possess to undertake the role)

Please attach a Statement of Acceptance from the
nominee that outlines their reasons for accepting the
nomination.

*Rita Cleuren, Chair person
of the European laity council*

Signature of nominator:

Signature of nominee:

Date: *28.10.23*



NOMINATION FORM
MEMBER OF THE INTERNATIONAL
COUNCIL OF THE LAITY OF THE
CHEVALIER FAMILY

Name of nominator:

Date of nomination:

Name of nominee for the position of International
Council member:

Country of membership:

Biography of nominee (please outline contribution of
the nominee to the mission and ministry of the Laity
of the Chevalier Family in their country and the skills
and attributes they possess to undertake the role)

Please attach a Statement of Acceptance from the
nominee that outlines their reasons for accepting the
nomination.

Signature of nominator:

Signature of nominee:

Date:

We - Slovak laygroups agree with the European appointment of Alison McKenzie to continue as General Secretary of the International Lay Council of the Chevalier Family in the next election period. She does her work very well. We would be very grateful if Alison would accept our proposal to nominate her as General Secretary.

Sending love and blessings

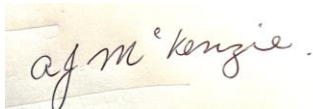
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Helen

I accept the nomination by the Australian National Council of the Laity of the Chevalier Family to serve a second term in the role of General Secretary.

I accept the nomination because I believe with all my heart in the importance of the synodal understanding of mission that was central to Fr Chevalier's vision for our Family. I too believe that cooperative participation between professed and lay people in the mission of us all to make the Sacred Heart of Jesus known and loved everywhere is consistent with the way of Jesus, expressed by St Paul where there are: *'neither male or female, Jew or Greek ...'*

If I have God given gifts that are useful in bringing this central understanding of our Charism to fruition, and if the community were to judge that I am the one God has chosen, then I will accept that call to serve with humility and I commit myself to offer all I have to the Chevalier Family.

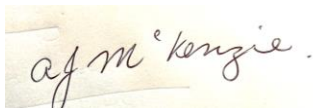


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I accept the nomination by the European Council of the Laity of the Chevalier Family to serve a second term in the role of General Secretary.

I accept the nomination because I believe with all my heart in the importance of the synodal understanding of mission that was central to Fr Chevalier's vision for our Family. I too believe that cooperative participation between professed and lay people in the mission of us all to make the Sacred Heart of Jesus known and loved everywhere is consistent with the way of Jesus, expressed by St Paul where there are: *'neither male or female, Jew or Greek ...'*

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FORMULARIO DE NOMBRAMIENTO SECRETARIO GENERAL DEL CONSEJO INTERNACIONAL DE LAICOS DE LA FAMILIA CHEVALIER

Nombre del nominador: Coordinadores Laicos de los Países de América Latina y el Caribe, nombrados a continuación y que firmaron la presente indicación.

Día de la cita: 15/10/2023

Nombre del candidato al cargo de Secretario General: Doris Machado dos Santos

País miembro: Brasil

Biografía del candidato (*describa la contribución del candidato a la misión y ministerio laico de la Familia Chevalier en su país y las habilidades y atributos que posee para asumir el rol*):

Doris Machado dos Santos

Es brasileña, es pedagoga y trabaja en escuelas públicas. Conoció a la Familia Chevalier en 2000 y se convirtió en miembro laica de la Familia Chevalier en 2002. Durante este período fue elegida Coordinadora del primer grupo de Laicos de la ciudad de Curitiba. Posteriormente Coordinador de Laicos de la Provincia de Curitiba, promoviendo acciones conjuntas y la creación de nuevos grupos de laicos en la Provincia de Curitiba MSC.

A partir del Encuentro Internacional de República Dominicana que tuvo lugar en 2008, impulsó encuentros junto a la entonces fraternidad de las Hijas de Nuestra Señora del Sagrado Corazón y coordinó el primer Encuentro Nacional de Laicos de la Familia Chevalier en Brasil.

También después de este Encuentro Internacional trajo la idea de Jóvenes Misioneros del Sagrado Corazón y ayudó en la fundación del Primer Grupo de Jóvenes MSC de la Provincia de Curitiba. Desde esta fundación en Curitiba ayudó a guiar la fundación del Grupo Fortaleza.

En 2010 fue elegido el primer Coordinador Nacional de la Familia Chevalier en Brasil.

Después de ser elegida Coordinadora Nacional, busca participar en todos los Encuentros Provinciales de Laicos de la Familia Chevalier de Brasil.

En enero de 2010 participó de la Misión conjunta de la Familia Chevalier en las Comunidades de Miguel Alves, municipio del interior de Piauí, donde permanecemos durante 15 días viviendo y celebrando la vida en más de 25 Comunidades.

En 2012 planificó, estructuró y coordinó la primera misión de agentes junto con la sección Ecuador con el tema: "Compartiendo Vida, Fe y Esperanza" - Carisma, Espiritualidad y Servicio. En aquella ocasión, 20 laicos fueron enviados a las distintas localidades del

Ecuador donde trabaja el MSC, dando como resultado la fundación del primer grupo de laicos del Ecuador, quienes estuvieron presentes en el Encuentro Internacional.

Fue Coordinadora del Santuario de Nuestra Señora del Sagrado Corazón en Curitiba, Integró el equipo de Espiritualidad del Santuario que anualmente promueve el Congreso Sagrado Corazón, orientado a la formación basada en la espiritualidad del Sagrado Corazón para los Laicos de la Familia Chevalier y la comunidad en general.

Trabajó como voluntaria en temas pedagógicos en el Seminario de Filosofía MSC en Curitiba.

En 2014 participó del Curso de Espiritualidad, realizado en Juiz de Fora,

Trabajó como voluntaria en la acogida de jóvenes del Ecuador, por periodos de 12 meses. Ya dos veces en 2008 y 2016.

Intenta conocer y visitar las regiones de misión del MSC. En 2015 pasó 30 días en São Gabriel da Cachoeira, en Amazonas, con la misión del MSC allí. Durante este período conoció muchas comunidades a orillas del Alto Río Negro.

A partir de 2015, además de todo el trabajo ya mencionado, el gran esfuerzo fue realizar el III Encuentro Internacional de Laicos de la Familia Chevalier en Brasil, donde coordinó todos los trabajos, representando al Comité Brasileño para el Encuentro.

En 2017 fue elegida Consejera General de los Laicos de la Familia Chevalier, en el Encuentro Internacional que tuvo lugar en Brasil.

En 2018, conoció a toda la Misión belga de la Familia Chevalier.

En 2019 vivió como Misionera en Mozambique con la Misión MSC que tenemos allí.

En 2020 regresa a Brasil y ahora es Directora de una Escuela con 1350 alumnos donde busca vivir cada día el Carisma de los Laicos de la Familia Chevalier.

En 2020, durante la pandemia de COVID19, se inició el Rosario por la Vida, que une a Brasil y a otros 9 países de América Latina y el Caribe, para rezar el Santo Rosario, en las intenciones de todos los Laicos de la Familia Chevalier, por la paz en el mundo y por la vida de todos los hermanos. Este rosario se realiza todos los lunes, de forma ininterrumpida durante 3 años.

Adjunte una Declaración de aceptación del nominado que describa sus motivos para aceptar la nominación.

Elegida Secretaria General, creo que mi trabajo debería consistir en animar, visitar y dar testimonio de que un mundo nuevo es posible desde un corazón nuevo. Visita lo que ya

existe para fortalecer y lo que aún no existe para decir que es posible construir algo nuevo desde el Sagrado Corazón.

Para terminar, quisiera expresar lo que siento como laico de la Familia Chevalier:

“Ser un laico de la Familia Chevalier significa dejar al viejo que llevo dentro y transformarme en un nuevo hombre. Recrear actitudes. Es decir buenos días desde mi corazón y no desde el corazón del otro, porque el otro puede estar diciendo un buenos días frío, amargo, porque todavía está herido por la forma en que sigue caminando. Este sería un Corazón Nuevo. Sería el Corazón Laico de la Familia Chevalier”

Doris Machado dos Santos

Secretaria general

“Testigos de Carisma, Espiritualidad y Servicio”

Firma del nominador: Coordinadores Laicos de los Países de América Latina y el Caribe:

Brasil: Florilda Sueli dos Santos Souza

Colombia: Carolina Romero

Ecuador: Maria Beatriz Nunez Gomez

Guatemala: Patricia Antonieta Rivas Molina

México: Ma. Florina Ventura Hernandez

Paraguay: Lucy Rodriguez

Peru: Olguita Garcia Ocampo

República Dominicana: Eusébia Martinez de Hernandez

Venezuela: Joanna Barboza

Firma del nominado: Doris Machado dos Santos

Fecha: 15/10/2023

FORMULARIO DE NOMINACIÓN PARA MIEMBRO DEL CONSEJO INTERNACIONAL DE LAICOS DE LA FAMILIA CHEVALIER

Nombre del nominador: Coordinadores Laicos de los Países de América Latina y el Caribe, nombrados a continuación y que firmaron la presente indicación.

Día de la cita: 15/10/2023

Nombre del candidato al cargo de miembro del Consejo Internacional: Simone Cristina Incote

País miembro: Brasil

Biografía del candidato (describa la contribución del candidato a la misión y ministerio laico de la Familia Chevalier en su país y las habilidades y atributos que posee para asumir el rol).

Simone Cristina Incote

Brasileña, profesora de química y Máster en Enseñanza de Ciencias y Matemáticas. Trabaja como docente en una escuela pública en Curitiba, Paraná, donde vive. Conoció a los laicos de la Familia Chevalier en 2005 y desde entonces han participado en actividades relacionadas con la espiritualidad, el carisma y la familia Chevalier.

En 2014 participó del Curso de Espiritualidad, realizado en Juiz de Fora,

En 2012 formó parte de la primera misión de agentes junto con la sección Ecuador con el tema: "Compartiendo Vida, Fe y Esperanza" - Carisma, Espiritualidad y Servicio. Junto a otros 19 laicos estuvo en Ecuador, en las distintas localidades donde trabaja el MSC, dando como resultado la fundación del primer grupo de laicos del Ecuador, que estuvieron presentes en el Encuentro Internacional.

En 2017, ayudó a organizar y participó en el Encuentro Internacional de la Familia Chevalier, que tuvo lugar en Brasil.

En 2020 comenzó a participar en la Coordinación Nacional de Brasil, en representación de la Provincia de Curitiba, de la que es Coordinadora desde entonces y hasta la actualidad. Junto a esta coordinación, desarrolla trabajos de organización de las provincias y preparación de materiales de educación continua para los miembros de la Familia Chevalier, como la Carta Mensual, publicada mensualmente con el apoyo de todas las provincias brasileñas y de la Coordinación Nacional.

Desde 2020 participa y ayuda a coordinar el Rosario por la Vida, que comenzó durante la pandemia y que reúne, todos los lunes, además de laicos de Brasil, laicos de otros 8 países de América Latina y el Caribe. , promoviendo así la interacción entre los laicos de la Familia Chevalier de estos países.

Adjunte una Declaración de aceptación del nominado que describa sus motivos para aceptar la nominación.

Ser misionero laico de la Familia Chevalier es una necesidad. En un mundo lleno de problemas de tantos tipos, siempre se espera mucho una presencia amorosa que traiga el amor de Dios a nuestros ojos y sonrisa. Quiero ser esa presencia dondequiera que esté. Como laico de la Familia Chevalier, creo en este llamado vocacional a ser el corazón de Dios en el mundo. Confío en el potencial organizativo de la Familia Chevalier a nivel global y me gustaría colaborar en la unión de los países de América Latina y el Caribe, región en la que estoy ubicado, con el Consejo Internacional. Promover la unidad de la Familia Chevalier, en sus diferentes realidades y culturas, es el trabajo que me propongo realizar en este rol como miembro del Consejo Internacional.

Simone Cristina Incote

Con cariño y ternura en la misión.

Firma del nominador: Coordinadores Laicos de los Países de América Latina y el Caribe:

Brasil: Florilda Sueli dos Santos Souza

Colombia: Carolina Romero

Ecuador: Maria Beatriz Nunez Gomez

Guatemala: Patricia Antonieta Rivas Molina

México: Ma. Florina Ventura Hernandez

Paraguay: Lucy Rodriguez

Peru: Olguita Garcia Ocampo

República Dominicana: Eusébia Martinez de Hernandez

Venezuela: Joanna Barboza

Firma del nominado: Simone Cristina Incote

Fecha: 15/10/2023

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Good afternoon Sister Merle.

I hope you are well and healthy.

It is a pleasure to be in contact with you to send you our nomination for the election of the international board that will take place in January.

The Latin American countries, by common agreement and signatories, send only one application.

This seemed to us to be the most appropriate after the discernment we made together.

Thank you for letting me know that you received this e-mail and the attached document, sent on 10/16/2023.

Thank you in advance...

big hug...

Simone Cristina Incote,

with love and tenderness in the mission.

Curitiba, Paraná, Brazil

**2 Nominations sent –
one for Secretary General and
one for a member of the International Lay Council**

NOMINATION FORM SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE CHEVALIER FAMILY

Name of nominator: Lay Coordinators of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean, named below and signed below.

Date of nomination: 10/15/2023

Name of nominee for the position of Secretary General: Doris Machado dos Santos
Member country: Brazil

Candidate's biography (describe the candidate's contribution to the mission and lay ministry of the Chevalier Family in your country and the skills and attributes he/she possesses to assume the role):

Doris Machado dos Santos

She is Brazilian, is a teacher and works in public schools. She met the Chevalier Family in 2000 and became a lay member of the Chevalier Family in 2002. During this period she was elected Coordinator of the first group of Laity of the city of Curitiba. Subsequently, she became Coordinator of the Laity of the Province of Curitiba, promoting joint actions and the creation of new groups of laity in the city of Curitiba and the creation of new lay groups in the Province of Curitiba MSC.

From the International Meeting in the Dominican Republic that took place in 2008, she then became the fraternity of the Daughters of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart and coordinated the first National Meeting of the Laity of the Chevalier Family in Brazil.

Also after this International Meeting, she brought the idea of the Young Missionaries of the Sacred Heart and helped in the foundation of the First MSC Youth Group of the Curitiba Province. From this foundation in Curitiba, she helped guide the founding of the Fortaleza Group.

In 2010 she was elected the first National Coordinator of the Chevalier Family in Brazil. After being elected National Coordinator, she sought to participate in all the Provincial Meetings of the Laity of the Chevalier Family in Brazil.

In January 2010, she participated in the joint Mission of the Chevalier Family in the Communities of Miguel Alves, a municipality in the interior of Piauí, where we stayed for 15 days living and celebrating the life in more than 25 communities.

In 2012, planned, structured and coordinated the first mission of agents together with the Ecuador section with the theme: "Sharing Life, Faith and Hope" - Charism, Spirituality and Service. On that occasion, 20 lay people were sent to the different localities in Ecuador where the MSC work, resulting in the founding of the first group of lay people in Ecuador, who were present at the International Meeting.

She was Coordinator in the Shrine of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart in Curitiba,

She was part of the Spirituality team of the Shrine that annually promotes the Sacred Heart Congress, oriented to the formation based on the spirituality of the Sacred Heart for the Laity of the Chevalier Family and the community in general. She worked as a volunteer in educational issues at the MSC Philosophy Seminary in Curitiba.

In 2014, she participated in the Spirituality Course, held in Juiz de Fora, worked as a volunteer in the reception of young people from Ecuador, for periods of 12 months. Twice in 2008 and 2016. She tries to get to know and visit the mission regions of the MSC. In 2015 she spent 30 days in São Gabriel da Cachoeira, in Amazonas, with the MSC mission there. During this period she got to know many communities on the banks of the Upper Rio Negro.

Starting in 2015, in addition to all the work already mentioned, the great effort was to conduct the III International Meeting of the Laity of the Chevalier Family in Brazil, where she coordinated all the work, representing the Brazilian Committee for the Meeting.

In 2017, she was elected General Councilor of the Chevalier Family Laity at the International Meeting held in Brazil. In 2018, she met the entire Belgian Mission of the Chevalier Family. In 2019 she lived as a Missionary in Mozambique with the MSC Mission we have there. In 2020 she returned to Brazil and is now Director of a School with 1350 students where she seeks to live every day the Charism of the Laity of the Chevalier Family.

In 2020, during the COVID19 pandemic, she started the Rosary for Life, which unites Brazil and 9 other countries of Latin America and the Caribbean, to pray the Holy Rosary, for the intentions of all the Laity of the Chevalier Family, for peace in the world and for the life of all our brothers and sisters. This rosary takes place every Monday, uninterruptedly for 3 years.

Attach a Statement of Acceptance from the nominee describing his or her reasons for accepting the nomination.

As elected Secretary General, I believe that my job should be to encourage, visit and witness that a new world is possible from a new heart. Visit what already and what does not yet exist to say that it is possible to build something new from the Sacred Heart.

In conclusion, I would like to express what I feel as a lay member of the Chevalier Family: "To be a layperson of the Chevalier Family means to leave the old person inside me and to transform myself into a new person. To recreate attitudes. It is to say good morning from my heart and not from the heart of the other, because the other may be saying a cold, bitter good morning, because he still wounded by the

way he is still walking. This would be a New Heart. It would be the Lay Heart of the Chevalier Family".

Doris Machado dos Santos
Nominee - General Secretary

"Witnesses of Charisma, Spirituality and Service".

Signature of the nominator: Lay Coordinators of the Latin American and Caribbean Countries:

Brazil:	Florilda Sueli dos Santos Souza
Colombia:	Carolina Romero
Equador:	Maria Beatriz Nunez Gomez
Guatemala:	Patricia Antonieta Rivas Molina
Mexico:	Ma. Florina Ventura Hernandez
Paraguay:	Lucy Rodriguez
Peru:	Olguita Garcia Ocampo
Dominican Republic:	Eusébia Martinez de Hernandez
Venezuela:	Joanna Barboza

Nominee's Signature: Doris Machado dos Santos
Date: 10/15/2023

NOMINATION FORM FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE CHEVALIER FAMILY LAITY

Name of nominator: Lay Coordinators of the Latin American and Caribbean Countries, named below and who signed the present indication.

Date of nomination: 10/15/2023

Name of the candidate for the position of member of the International Council:

Simone Cristina Incote

Member Country: Brazil

Candidate's Biography (describe the candidate's contribution to the mission and lay ministry of the Chevalier Family in your country and the skills and attributes she/he possesses to assume the role).

Simone Cristina Incote

Brazilian, chemistry teacher and Master in Science and Mathematics Teaching. She works as a teacher in a public school in Curitiba, Paraná, where she lives. She met the laity of the Chevalier Family in 2005 and since then they have been involved in activities related to the spirituality, charism and the Chevalier Family.

In 2014 she participated in the Spirituality Course, held in Juiz de Fora, In 2012, she was part of the first mission of agents together with the Ecuador section with the theme: "Sharing Life, Faith, and Hope" - Charism, Spirituality and Service. Together with 19 other lay people were in Ecuador, in the different localities where the MSC works, resulting in the founding of the first group of lay people in Ecuador, who were present at the International Meeting.

In 2017, she helped organize and participated in the International Meeting of the Family Chevalier, which took place in Brazil.

In 2020, she began to participate in the National Coordination of Brazil, representing the Province of Curitiba for which she has been the Coordinator since then and up to the present time. Along with this coordination, she develops works of organization of the provinces and preparation of education material for the members of the Chevalier Family, such as the Monthly Letter, published monthly with the support of all Brazilian provinces and the National Council.

Since 2020, she participates and helps to coordinate the Rosary for Life, which started during the pandemic and gathers, every Monday, in addition to the Brazilian laity, laity from 8 other countries of Latin America and the Caribbean. In this way, promoting the interaction among the laity of the Chevalier Family in these countries.

Attach a Statement of Acceptance from the nominee describing his/her reasons for accepting the nomination.

Being a Chevalier Family lay missionary is a necessity. In a world filled with problems of so many kinds, a loving presence that brings God's love into our eyes and smile. I want to be that presence wherever I am.

As a lay member of the Chevalier Family, I believe in this vocational call to be the heart of God in the world. I am confident in the organizational potential of the Chevalier Family on a global level and would like to collaborate in uniting the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean region where I am located, with the International Council of the Chevalier Family.

The Chevalier family, in its different realities and cultures, is the work I intend to do in this role as a member of the International Council. With love and tenderness in the mission.

Signature of the nominator: Lay Coordinators of the Latin American and Caribbean Countries:

Brazil:	Florilda Sueli dos Santos Souza
Colombia:	Carolina Romero
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Peru:	Olguita Garcia Ocampo
Dominican Republic:	Eusébia Martinez de Hernandez
Venezuela:	Joanna Barboza

Nominee's Signature: Simone Cristina Incote

Date: 10/15/2023