



## JM COMMITMENT TO THE GLOBAL COMPACT ON EDUCATION



Mexico City, July 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> 2023



*“When we go alone on a long journey  
we soon grow tired... but when we travel together  
we walk with assurance, courage and fresh support. (Positio, page 54)*

*“The Global Compact on Education challenges us to a new humanity,...  
to put the person at the centre, ... to heal broken relationships, ...  
to work together to build a more equal world  
where all feel welcomed and included”. (Pope Francis, GCE)*

We, Companions in Mission, Lay and Religious of Jesus and Mary, a total of 187 persons, from the four corners of the JM world, gathered in Mexico City from July 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023, for an International Conference to actively encourage Shared Mission, drawing inspiration from the charism of our foundress St. Claudine expressed in the JM Preferences and the Church’s document - Global Compact on Education (GCE).

During these five days together, we were enriched by the various inputs, presentations, and testimonies from our diverse JM ministries. At the end of each day, we gathered the fruits through Spiritual Conversations. This, together with times of formal and informal sharing, led to a deeper connection, thus building greater communion and a conviction to journey TOGETHER.

St. Claudine is a woman for all peoples, places and times. Guided by her charism and her pedagogy, we desire to creatively build a new culture.

We felt her presence in our hearts and minds, as we discerned the way forward and we desire to continue her heritage by committing ourselves to work **together**:

- **To place the person at the centre**, with the hope and confidence for what she/he can become, by forming an alliance with others, to create a 'village' of education.
- **To educate for service**, to form a culture of solidarity and to develop networks with other people to serve together at the peripheries.
- To enable the person to discover **the meaning of life and of the Transcendent**, by providing time, space and opportunities for interiority.
- **To build just and healthy relations** between self, others and our common home through the ethics of care, forgiveness, reconciliation and trust in a good and merciful God.
- **To grow in discernment**, as a way of living and working, through dialogue, listening, and praying together.
- **To nurture a revolution of tenderness**, by recognizing our own vulnerability and woundedness, that leads us to empathise with others and moves us to compassionate action.

We, Companions in Mission, Lay and RJMs, commit ourselves to invest our energies creatively and take responsibility to live and transmit the charism of St. Claudine, **TOGETHER**, so as to create a more just and humane culture.

