We pray as we prepare for our General Assembly in May:

Highest, brightest God, enlighten the darkness of our hearts. Give us a faith that leads on, a hope that carries through, a love that excludes no one and nothing. Let us feel, Lord, who you are, and realize how we are fulfilling your mission. Amen



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Growing in universal love with undivided hearts (TOR Rule, 8)



Francis and the Portiuncula

Francis asked to be taken to Saint Mary of the Portiuncula so that he might yield up *the spirit of life* where he had received *the spirit of grace...*.He *lifted up his face to heaven* in his accustomed way, and wholly intent upon that glory he said to his brothers (and to all of his followers): "I *have done what is mine;* may *Christ teach you* yours."

Bonaventure, Major Legend of St. Francis, 14.3

As we come together for our General Assembly in this same place, may we perceive our place in the living charism of Francis and be renewed in the grace of our calling of faithfulness to the Third Order Rule we profess. We pray to understand the future we are called to in this time and space and respond as we build up the reign of God.

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