

Faith and Light a three part dance

- *I am the way, and the truth, and the life.* (Jn 14, 6)
- Our life in Faith and Light becomes a beautiful three part dance: a spiritual calling to come into relationship with vulnerable people; a life of faith and friendship in a community; a sending forth to share our joyful news.
- Our message can spread around and "contaminate" the world thanks to an energy comparable to a mustard seed, which grows without noise and brings much fruit: joy, peace, hope.
- For that dance, let us wear our wedding robe.



Faith and Light prayer

Jesus, you came into our world
to reveal the Father to us,
your Father and our Father.
You came to teach us to love one another.
Give us the Holy Spirit,
according to your promise,
so that he will make us instruments
of peace and unity,
in this world of war and division.

Jesus you have called us to follow you
in a community of Faith and Light,
We want to say "yes" to you.
We want to live in a covenant of love
in this big family you have given us,
where we can share our sufferings
and difficulties, our joys and our hope.
Teach us to accept our wounds,
our weakness
so that your power may be revealed.
Teach us to find you
in all our brothers and sisters
especially in those who are the weakest.
Teach us to follow you
in the ways of the Gospel.

Jesus come and live in us
and in our communities
as you first lived in Mary.
She was the first to welcome you.
Help us to be faithfully present, with her,
at the foot of the cross,
near the crucified of the world.
Help us to live your Resurrection.

Amen !

Call, identity and mission

in Faith and Light



Call

Jesus you have called us to follow you
in a community of Faith and Light.
We want to say "yes" to you.

*Come to me, all you that are weary and
are carrying heavy burdens, and I will
give you rest. (Mt 11, 28)*

Identity

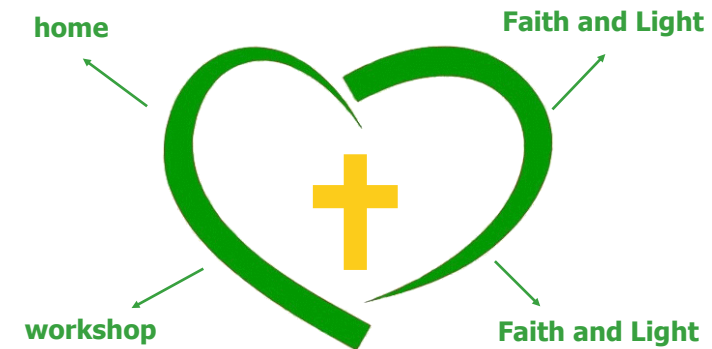
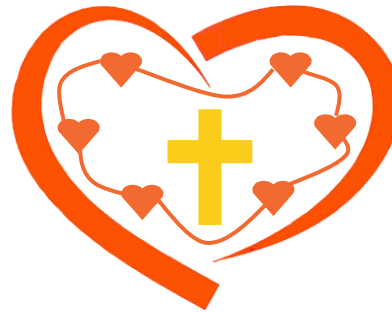
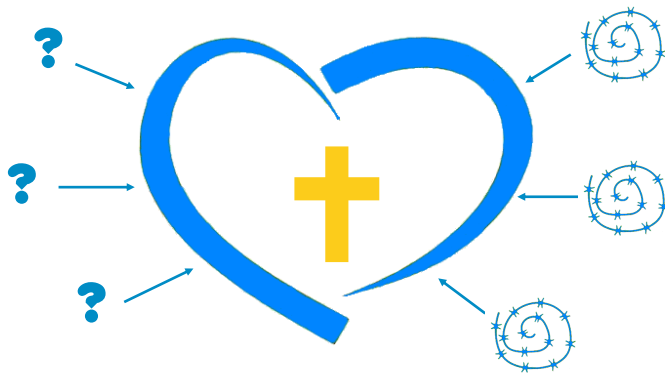
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and difficulties, our joys and our hope.

*By this, everyone will know that you are
my disciples, if you have love for one
another. (Jn 13, 35)*

Mission

Teach us to follow you
in the ways of the Gospel.

*But God chose what is foolish in the
world to shame the wise; God chose
what is weak in the world to shame the
strong. (1Co 1, 27)*



The call statement

Faith and Light is a calling from God to:

- persons with an intellectual disability, for whom He has a preferential love,
- parents, brothers, sisters, who suffer because of the disability of a member of their family, source of isolation and rejection,
- friends who are willing to discover the precious gift of our vulnerabilities.
- chaplains whom He invites to join Him in the weakest ones.

We are all called to follow Jesus in a community to live friendship with our brothers and sisters with an intellectual disability.

The identity statement

- A Faith and Light community is a place where we all meet and grow. There, we share in fidelity: welcome, listening, equality, hope, tenderness and simplicity.
- Through various activities (celebrations, sharing, prayer, retreats, formations...) that are sources of joy, we learn to accept our fragilities and find consolation, healing and rest.
- We can then go, stronger with the friendship received, with an energy renewed, filled with the wonder of our gifts.

The mission statement

- After discovering the gifts of the persons with an intellectual disability in our communities, we are moved by God to go out and share with boldness our experiences and spirituality in our churches and in the society to the ends of the world.
- When we evangelise our friends with an intellectual disability and lead them to Jesus, when, in their turn, they evangelise us and teach us to know Jesus better, this bears fruit, twenty, thirty and a hundredfold. Then, we all become instruments of peace and unity.