

2021 and 2022

MISSION IMPACT REPORT



REGNUM CHRISTI
PHILADELPHIA

A LETTER FROM THE REGNUM CHRISTI LOCALITY DIRECTOR



Happy 25th Anniversary, Fr. Peter!



Fr. Scott's 25th Anniversary Mass took place at Pinecrest Academy chapel in Cumming, GA, where he began his priestly ministry



These past two years have overflowed with blessings from the Lord. Father Peter celebrated his 25th priestly anniversary in December 2021 and I celebrated my 25th in December 2022. Deacon Markus was ordained as a transitional deacon in June 2022 and to the priesthood on April 29, 2023. On behalf of Regnum Christi Philadelphia, I would like to express my overwhelming gratitude to our staff, generous benefactors, Regnum Christi members and friends, the Legionaries of Christ, our volunteers, and the pastors of the parishes in which we serve. We are delighted to share with you the 2021 and 2022 Regnum Christi Philadelphia Impact Report. Together we have moved hearts toward Christ by living out a key facet of the Regnum Christi charism: GATHER – FORM – LAUNCH apostles to build the Kingdom of Christ!

The Legionary community was canonically established in Philadelphia in 2005, and we are entering our 18th year here. We are presently located in Newtown Square, PA. Our community consists of six priests. The Legionaries of Christ are part of Regnum Christi, a spiritual family and apostolic body made up of four vocations. The other three are the Consecrated Women of Regnum Christi, the Lay Consecrated Men of Regnum Christi, and Lay Members.

Our charism is to form the laity as missionary disciples—or, as we say, apostles—at the service of Christ in the local Church and in their parishes by helping them to live out their Baptism and Confirmation, which include the call to holiness and to spread the faith. We help them to develop spiritually, engage apostolically, and form themselves through activities such as Ignatian retreats, spiritual direction, monthly evenings of reflection, and workshops.

As you turn these pages, I pray you will learn more about our charism and our work, and experience inspiring stories of lives touched by loving and serving our Lord in homes, workplaces, parishes, schools, neighborhoods and beyond!

God bless you and your families,

FR. SCOTT REILLY, LC
REGNUM CHRISTI LOCALITY DIRECTOR



Deacon Markus (left) in June 2022

REGNUM CHRISTI PHILADELPHIA LEADERSHIP TEAM

WHO WE ARE



Fr. Scott Reilly, LC
Regnum Christi Director,
Men's Section Director &
Lumen Institute Chaplain



Fr. Peter Kim, LC
Superior of the Philadelphia
Legionaries of Christ



Fr. Michael Moriarty, LC
Young Men's Section Director &
Mission Youth Philly Chaplain



Fr. Aaron Loch, LC
ECyD Boys Section Director



Fr. Reuben Nuxoll, LC
Chaplain for Regnum Christi
Women



Dcn. Markus Stehmer, LC
Vocations Director



Karla Amezcua, CRC
Mission Youth Support



Katie Keating
Women's Section Director



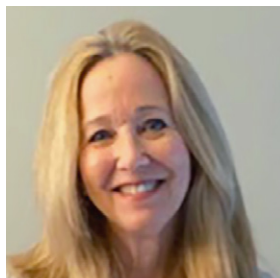
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Emily Ziegler
ECyD Girls Section Director



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THE CHALLENGE



and OUR IMPACT

Americans have long debated the extent to which religion should influence public life. In a new Pew Research Center study, more than four in ten U.S. Adults (45%) believe the country should be a Christian nation, while roughly half (51%) say it should not.

*Pew Research Center Survey:
Religion & Public Life, October 27, 2022*



We believe that conversion to Jesus Christ continues to be the answer to conflicts facing the world. Therefore, we strive to give glory to God and make the Kingdom of Christ present in the hearts of all people and in society. We believe God has specifically called us to fulfill our mission by making present the mystery of Christ, who goes out to people, reveals the love of his heart to them, gathers them together and forms them as apostles and Christian leaders, sends them out and accompanies them as they collaborate in the evangelization of people and society.

*Statutes of the Regnum Christi Federation
May 31, 2019 #8*

IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS



LIVING OUT OUR RC IDENTITY



REVEAL the love of Christ



FORM apostles

LAUNCH OUT into the world



BUILD UP the Kingdom of Christ



PRAY
for our missions and apostles

PARTICIPATE
and join us on mission

PROVIDE
both material items and financial support

PROMOTE
by bringing family and telling friends

As Regnum Christi, we seek for everyone in Philadelphia to know the love of Christ.

Our hope is that, through our charism and the ministries and programs we serve both within RC and in our parishes, people encounter Christ and grow in their desire for holiness, living out their baptismal promises intentionally.

Through our RC family and a universal yearning for God, our community grows as people feel called to our charism to help build the Church and transform their home, work and parish life.

AN APOSTOLATE OF REGNUM CHRISTI – SETTING THE YOUTH ON FIRE



Mission Youth exists to provide mission experiences locally and worldwide that ignite the missionary spark in the hearts of Catholic disciples, transforming them into apostles.

What started with Holy Week Missions 5 years ago (2018) has grown to monthly missions in Kensington and Coatesville. During the year, close to 500 young missionaries took to the streets, engaging in works of mercy. Here are Mission Youth's core principles: Catholic, service to the local Church and community, rooted in the Regnum Christi charism, and focused on person-to-person evangelization.

Evangelization, Encounter, Community, Impact

Inviting volunteers to join the mission is important, but what we seek is to form the whole person. This is what distinguishes Mission Youth from other ministries serving the poor in Philadelphia. Our objective is to form apostles.

MISSION YOUTH PHILADELPHIA

"I hope that through me, Christ can touch hearts. I know that with Him, I can make a little difference, and that is so encouraging. With this Apostle year, I want to be Christ's hands to anyone I can touch, whether it be innocent youth or the drug-addicted."

Rachel Sester, Mission Youth Apostle 2022-2023



MISSION YOUTH APOSTLES

In August of 2020 with three high school graduates that participated in missions, the Apostle program began with Grace Longo, Dana Bizal and Callie Couture. In year two (2021) Joe Coffey, Sarah Carpenter, Emily Bracken (Ziegler) and Pia Buentello joined the Apostles and lived at the Frassati House (men) and the Magdala House (women) in Folsom, PA. In year three (2022) six apostles (4 women and 2 men) gave a year of their lives in service. This one-year mission program is focused on bringing Christ to those on the streets of Kensington. It also allows the Apostles freedom to discern where God is calling them to build his Kingdom.

The program includes prayer, formation, community life, and simplicity of living. There are three pillars: **1)** unity and charity in all things (building a community like the first apostles, which requires forming human and theological virtues), **2)** encounters with Christ (all souls need to meet and experience the love of Christ), and **3)** evangelization (while the corporal works of mercy are important, we seek above all to address the spiritual needs of the person, praying with them and for them, witnessing and teaching faith in Christ).

Pictured from left to right: Fr. Michael Moriarty, LC, Andrew Lambert, Pia Buentello, Karla Amezcua, Malorie Leach (Program Coordinator), Hannah Dickerson, Rachel Sester, Kara Loch, and Aiden Shannon

"The most impactful aspect of this year so far for me has been living out the prayer commitments. Each day the women have community prayers in the morning and evening, as well as various personal prayer commitments throughout the day. One of our personal commitments is to pray a holy hour each day. Spending so much intentional time in silence in our chapel, putting myself in the presence of the Lord and quieting my heart, has given me more clarity and peace in my relationship with Christ than I've ever had before. I am excited for all that he has in store for me and the other missionaries for the rest of this year!"

Hannah Dickerson, Mission Youth Apostle 2022-2023



THE NEXT GENERATION OF CATHOLICS

THE CORE FOUR

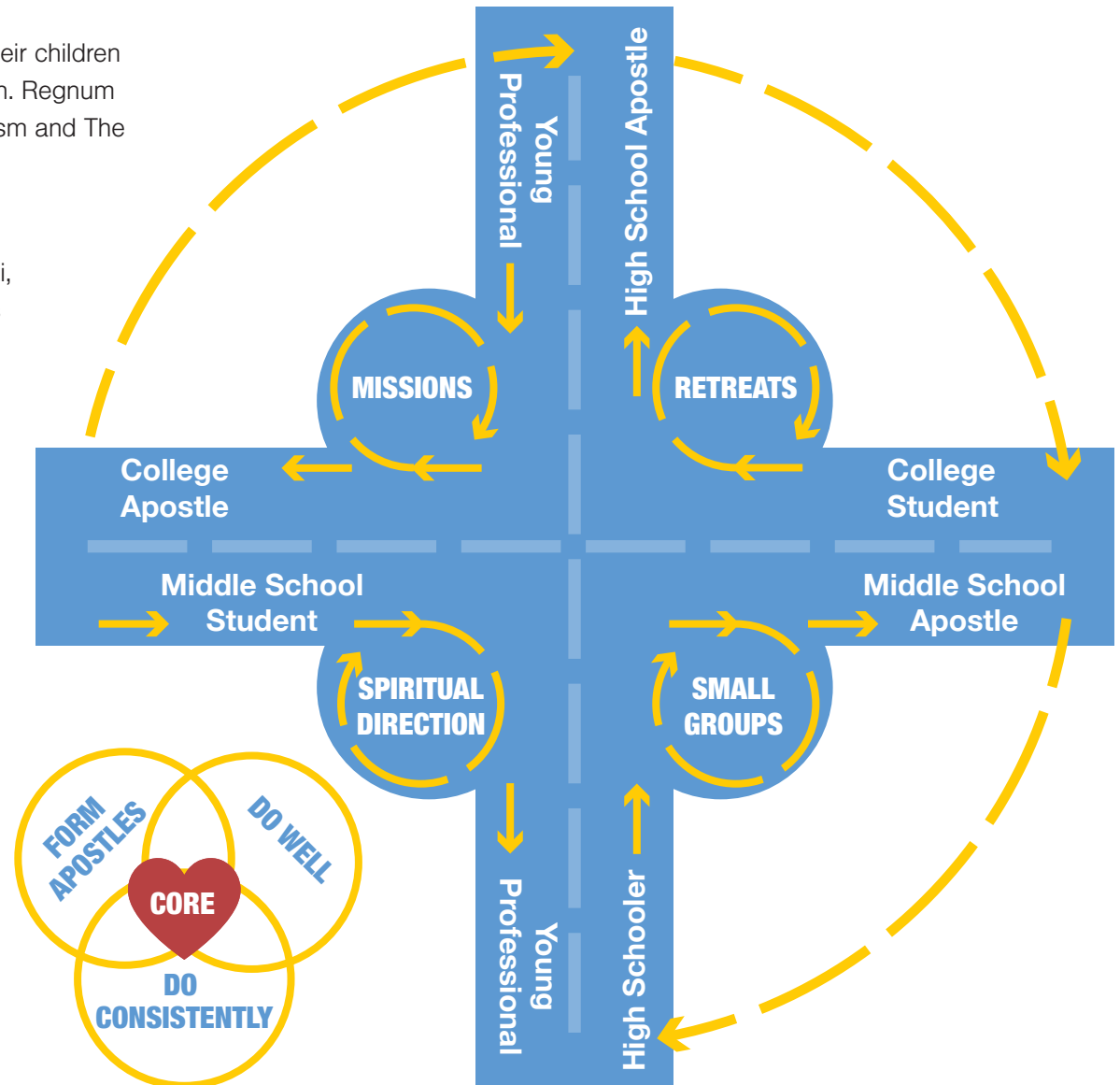
So many families are struggling with their children and adult children away from the Catholic faith. Regnum Christi recognizes that and believes our charism and The Core Four can help to turn that tide.

What is the Core Four?

The “Core Competencies” of Regnum Christi, Mission Youth, and ECyD are those activities that we do well to fulfill our goal of forming apostles at the service of the Church.

An apostle is sent forth, a messenger. Every apostle must also have been a disciple (a follower or student of a teacher, leader, philosopher).

Retreats, missions, small groups and spiritual direction are the ways we found that develop in the youth a faith-filled relationship with Christ, a sense of initiative, self-confidence, awareness of others’ needs, interpersonal communication skills, healthy independence in their prayer life, camaraderie, and a healthy sense of dependence on God and others in times of need.



ENCOUNTER, CONVICTIONS AND YOUR DECISIONS



ECyD is an international Catholic association of adolescents that make a pledge of friendship with Christ and with each other, living a Christian lifestyle according to the charism of Regnum Christi.

“ECyD is not a club, it is not a program, it is a WAY OF LIFE.”

Says Fr. Aaron Loch LC, ECyD’s Chaplain. “Through small groups, retreats, spiritual mentoring and mission opportunities, young boys and girls learn what it means to live the truth of the Gospel through friendship with Christ, others and community.”

The impact: Over 200 boys spanning more than eight parishes in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia have participated in an ECyD small group in the last three years. In 2023, with the hiring of a new Director for girls, Emily Ziegler started three new groups of girls in three different parishes. ECyD is supported by a council, an AFIRE leadership team, team moderators, and team leaders (high school kids).

“The retreat was well run, really fun, and I want to do it again next year. My favorite part was capture the flag and adoration.”

Mark Ziegler, age 12

“The Father/Son walks made it easy to open up a dialogue with my son on topics that do not come up often or are awkward to talk about. Do you believe in the Eucharist, have you ever thought of becoming a priest, how is Dad doing as a role model for you, etc... The group of 4 freshman team leaders ... were spectacular in how they interacted with the boys and the Dads. The best retreat I have gone on!”

John Ziegler (Mark’s dad)

LAUNCHING THEM TO FLY – THEY WILL SOAR ON EAGLES’ WINGS



PHILLY FRASSATI

Growing up with the Legionaries of Christ and in the Regnum Christi spiritual family, young adults are leading others to an encounter with Christ their own way—through adventure and nature.

Two young Regnum Christi men, Jack Terzian and Jack Ziegler, took the leadership role to establish Philly Frassati. Their mission is to provide young adults with experiences that will draw them closer to God and to each other. Through adventures, gatherings, and human/spiritual formation, they aim to empower young adults to live courageously the lives they are called to live.

Their co-chaplain, Fr. Reuben Nuxoll, LC, accompanies the young adults on their mission to be saints.

“Living in The Frassati House has brought together men from all different walks of life. I have been welcomed into a community with a great group of men who have God at the center of their lives. Weekly Bible studies, Mass in our chapel, and many enriching conversations have challenged my standards of what it means to love God, myself, and others. This has allowed me to grow more into a beloved son of God, share His love with others in a more genuine way, and have a lot of fun along the way.”

Josh Pisano, Frassati House resident

VOCATIONS – DISCERNING THE CALL



On November 20, 2022, the Feast of Christ the King, Deacon Markus was officially named Vocations Director for the Philadelphia locality. Arriving to Philadelphia just 11 months before, he embraced our youth, especially the young men, and is accompanying them on their journey to discern God's call for religious life and priesthood in the Legion. With Deacon Markus, there is a greater focus and intentionality to build vocations and guide young men in their response to Christ's call to holiness and engage culture with the transforming power of the Gospel.

Here are the highlights:

- A Vocation Action Network group has started
- Twenty-two young men went on retreats to the seminary in Cheshire
- Three local lay women participated in vocation meetings in Cheshire
- Ninety young men attended monthly adoration and dinner at the Legionaries' home
- Deacon networked with the Newman Centers at Temple, University of Pennsylvania, Drexel, Villanova and Eastern University
- A relationship with the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's Vocation Director was established

What's next:

- Encourage young men to go on retreats, pilgrimages to LC formation houses in Cheshire and Rome
- Triple the contacts from 100 to 300 young men
- Deepen existing relationships with the university Newman centers, Philly Frassati and Mission Youth
- Develop new relationships with FOCUS missionary groups, Young Catholic Professionals (YCP), and The Culture Project
- Network with local Catholic high schools (Malvern Prep, St. Joe's Prep, Bishop Shanahan and Cardinal O'Hara)

BRINGING MEN TO CHRIST



With Fr. Scott Reilly, LC, as Section Director, Regnum Christi men are stepping up to use their gifts to transform men, addressing the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, especially those relating to their roles as husbands and fathers. One program, THAT MAN IS YOU, is being led by men on a mission—Jim Gabriele, Tom Cancelmo (St. Norbert's), John Gill (St. Mary Magdalen) and John Volk (St. Denis)—that harmonizes current social and medical science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of man fully alive!

True to its stated goals, this transformation is most profoundly seen in marriage and family life, men's issues including pornography and balancing work demands, and a greater participation in parish life.

Gospel reflection groups at St. Katharine of Siena, St. Peter and Paul (Joe Bracken), St. Norbert's (Tom Cancelmo) and Chester Group (Eustace Mita) continue to grow year after year, changing men's lives transformed by Christ.

"We live in a wounded world," Eustace says. "Men are coming to the groups because they are hurting. Then they are filled by the faith, and the healing begins." The Gospel reflection group which began in Eustace's office in 2000 now has more than 50 members who meet weekly. More than 100 other groups have sprouted from that one, with 1,000 men participating across Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Maryland. What Eustace began also formed the basis for a much larger annual event, Man Up Philly. Started by Eustace and friends in 2002, this annual conference energizes and equips men to be better sons, fathers, and husbands, living their faith and leading their families.



THE LUMEN INSTITUTE

Lumen is a Catholic organization for business and societal leaders who seek personal development in character, faith, and leadership in order to reflect the light (lumen) of Christ in today's world. You will find executive peers in Lumen who are dedicated to virtuous leadership—in their personal endeavors, community impact through the local chapter and through mentor relationships that help form the next generation of leaders.

President John D. Kelly, IV, MD, of the Philadelphia Chapter, along with Fr. Scott Reilly, LC, have grown the Philadelphia Chapter over the years and have put Lumen into action in giving back to the community.

"I was practicing my Catholic faith prior to joining Lumen. However, Lumen has provided the added tools and structure to help me live my faith. Lumen has helped me to understand that my faith is not separate from work, family and friendships. Lumen has provided a forum to debate, discuss, and better understand core Catholic teachings and has helped me incorporate faith into everyday life."

Luke Mulholland, Lumen Institute member

THE HEART OF THE HOME



The Women's Section post-COVID met in person for the weekly encounters with Christ, offering opportunities for inspiration, connection with Christ through prayer and Scripture, accountability not only to Christ but to each other, accompaniment with each other, growth and spirituality formation in all aspects of the human person. In 2021, the women were formed by Karla Amezcua, an RC consecrated woman, with a five-part series "Unveiling the Transformative Power of the Gaze." Of the five pillars, Spiritual Life, Team Life, Formation, Personal Accompaniment and Apostolate, the women focused on personal accompaniment to walk alongside each other as Jesus did. The women hosted an Advent Retreat and Marriage Talk with the women of St. Katharine of Siena Parish. A young moms group started and a new four-day retreat was launched. In 2022, Fr. Reuben Nuxoll, LC, the women's Chaplain, led us to "Transformation through the Eucharist in a Counter Culture." The love of Christ impels the women to be bold but gentle, courageous but humble, and always, always seeking to abide in HIS love and rest in HIS peace.

"Serving as the Women's Director of Regnum Christi Philadelphia, has been an absolute blessing in my life that has allowed me to journey with women who are intentionally leading a Christ-centered life. My pastor at St. John Neumann parish after learning more of our charism responded,

'And you do this weekly, and have done this for the last 20 years?' This response invited me to ponder the wonderful gift RC has been. It certainly has deepened my relationships with Christ in a formidable way. I truly don't know, who I would be, what I would be, and where I would be, without the journey I've taken over the last 20 years in Regnum Christi Philadelphia!

It truly has transformed my heart and our home.

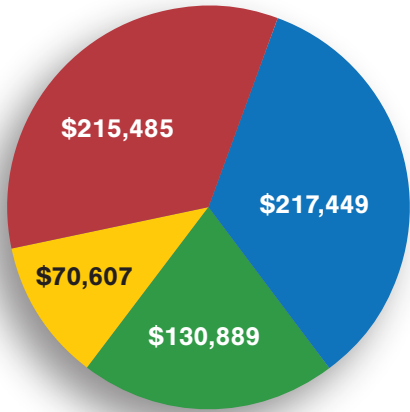
'I can do all things with Christ who strengthens me.'

Philippians 4:13"

Katie Keating, Women's Section Director

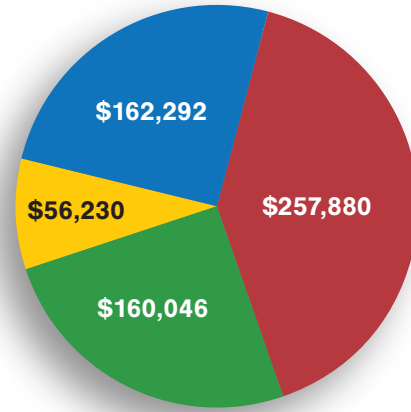
FINANCIALS





2021 Income

- Friday Night Live
- Donations
- LC Pastoral Services
- Activities



2022 Income

- Friday Night Live
- Donations
- LC Pastoral Services
- Activities

2021

Total Income
\$634,431.85

Total Expenses
\$525,398.16

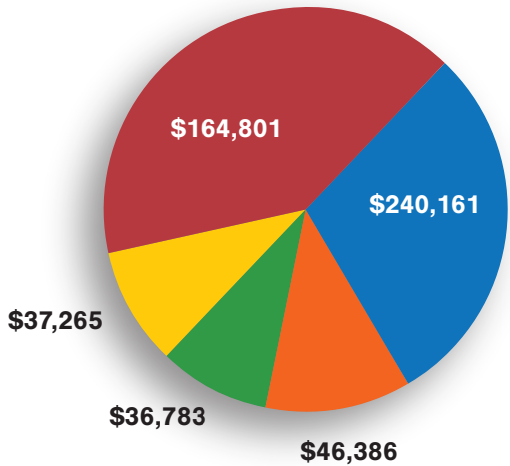
Net Income
\$109,033.69

2022

Total Income
\$636,449.32

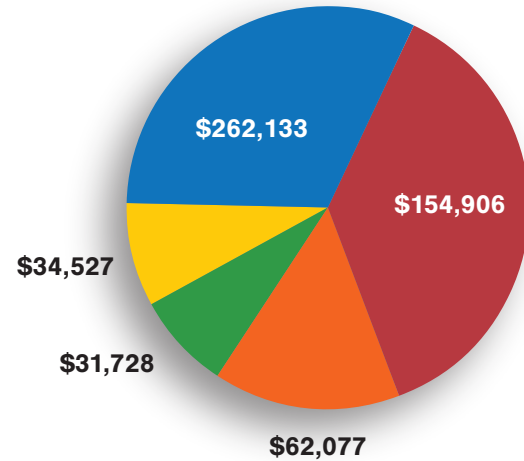
Total Expenses
\$545,373.16

Net Income
\$91,076.16



2021 Expenses

- LC Household
- Activities
- Office Rental
- Fundraising (FNL)
- Administrative



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- LC Household
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WHAT'S NEXT? _____

STEADFAST FORMATION of FORMATORS and ONGOING APOSTOLATES

- Launch Apostles into action by encouraging them to start Mission Youth chapters in other parishes, such as St. Peter's in Coatesville.
- Vocations – encourage people to respond generously to God's call. To accomplish this, teach people how to discern God's will.
- ECyD – focus on building ECyD for middle-school girls in parishes and Catholic schools.
- Form the family by developing marriage couple groups in local parishes.
- Intentional Living – The Sacred Heart House in Springfield is the newest home for young adult women to live in community. Sacred Heart joins The Frassati House (young men) and The Magdala House (Apostles), with the Legionaries giving personal attention to them.

LET OTHERS DO

FORMING APOSTLES

EVANGELIZING MISSIONS

SPIRITUAL RETREATS





SMALL GROUPS

ONE-ON-ONE SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

EVANGELIZING FAMILIES

40 COUNTRIES WORLDWIDE



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