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Dear Congregational Associates,

Peace and all good!

November is the month when the Franciscan Federation prepares for the next year among our Third Order Regular congregations and their Associates and beyond. This year, after the 2021 virtual Annual Federation Conference, we are living in a 'transformational year' until our Annual Federation Conference in 2022. We trust that you will want to follow along as we deepen our understanding of our charism and our times, and look toward the future together.

Attached, please find the Congregational Associate Membership Form. We hope that you will seriously consider renewing, or enrolling for the first time. We have received some of your addresses from the Congregations with which you are associated. Or, you may be reading this after receiving it from the Leaders in your own Congregational Associate groups. Know that you are most welcome!

And what are the benefits of membership?

- Getting to know other people who follow Franciscan values.
- Reading news firsthand in the Board's monthly BRIEFING, sent by e-mail, that charts the steps and changes toward our 2022 Conference.
- Receiving UPDATES by email about spiritual enrichment opportunities and other events among us in the Franciscan family. Some are on Zoom, and some may be in your neighborhood. Let's stay connected.

We hope to hear from you soon! Blessings in this time!

Sister Carol, sfma and Sister Lilia, losf, Co-Executive Directors