Thanksgiving message Sub-crypt, Basilica of the "Regina Apostolorum" Rome, 20 June 2010

The Eucharist that we celebrated has presented to the Father in Jesus Christ through the Spirit our gratitude for everything that was given us these days of our Seminar, it has been like a stream of living water that filled our congregational vessel and now it is ready to overflow on what the Lord entrusts us.

Our gratitude goes to all who have collaborated to the realization of our Seminar with prayer, hard work, reflection, experience, small services and the commitment of each day.

We have lived days of intense reflection and fraternal sharing, keeping in mind the teaching of the Founder and the journey of our Churches welcoming the different reports which helped us to deepen our ministry of care toward today's humanity.

Now we bid goodbye with an Easter sign: a small lighted candle which reminds the light of faith received in our baptism. Welcoming the light, we will remember, above all, that to care for the life in Christ involves participation in His mystery of death and resurrection, but with Him, Good Shepherd, we could tread each dark valley. We will journey with humble audacity, with commitment and joy to preserve this light so that it will not be extinguished and it radiates on all we will meet, so that it may be an orientation and hope to those whom the Lord entrusts to us.

As missionary disciples we walk in the light of Christ and we bring it to the world. Have a good journey toward our 8th General Chapter.