



# Discernimiento a mitad de capítulo Mid Chapter Discernment Discernement au moitié de chapitre

6-12 April, 2021 Día/Day/Jour 3

### Our Spirit-guided itinerary...

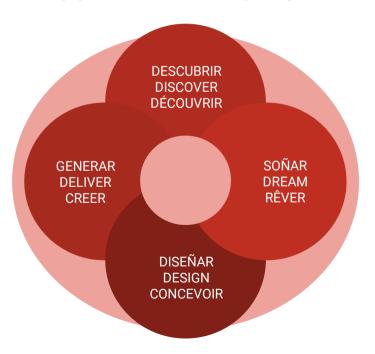
- Day 1 Start where we are, with gratitude and appreciation
- Day 2 Reviewing Sleep: The General Chapter and its Fruits

### Day 3 Explore the potentials and possibilities Waiting to be Unleashed (Zones)

- Day 4 Prayer repeat
- Day 5 Discernment and essential skills of creative dialogue and design
- Day 6 Planning and executing the design action (Zones)
- Day 7 Appreciate the fruits of our work and the next steps

### Review of Graces and Insights from Days 1 & 2

### Indagación Apreciativa Appreciative Inquiry



### Discernment in Common

### 3 Dimensions:

- . Initiating the Project: Structures
- Uses of Spiritual Conversation: Process
- Reaching a Key Decision: Process (Discernment)





### Review of Graces and Insights from Days 1 & 2

### What comes to mind when I think of the General Chapter?

- Gratefulness and Happiness.
- Thinking and orientation about our Mission, see if we and our structures are Mission-Centered.
- Novelty, Change, Adaptation, Renewal, discern which apostolates can continue, Accept the callings.
- Sense of Family, Walking together, Deep listening, Sharing with others. Looking about each other and towards people in need.
- There is Live, Dreams, Engagement, Hope.
- A lot (too much sometimes) of activities.
- Multiculturality.

### Review of Graces and Insights from Days 1 & 2

What is your experience of the Chapter in the Province? What concrete successes or processes have occurred?

- Cultural richness, integration, mutual understanding; inclusion of different perspectives, cultures, and members.
- Expectations, Hopes, Challenges.
- Success in working with others.
- Focus on priorities as vocational culture, formation, communications.
- Creation/Development of Processes, Commissions, Meetings.
- Sustainability (economic)
- Openness to welcome new things.
- Deepen spirituality and youth pastoral.

### Personal Reflection 5 min /Sharing in Pairs 25 min

 "What challenges are we facing in our local/provincial region, (from my perspective)?"

 "What missionary aspirations of the Chapter are still to be realized?



Pausa (5 min)

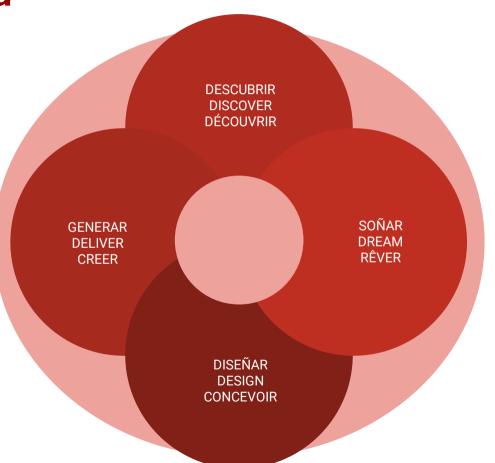
Pause (5 min)



## Compartir (5 min)

**Sharing (5 min)** 

Indagación Apreciativa
Appreciative Inquiry
Enquête Appreciative



### **Appreciative Inquiry**

When we discover a gap between our intention, hope, or vision and the current reality, what might we do?

Bring a spirit of curiosity, openness and imaginative possibility...





# El Poder de la Visión The Power of Seeing Le Pouvoir de la Vision

El ojo es la lámpara del cuerpo; cuando tu ojo está lleno de luz, el cuerpo está... (Lucas 11,34)

The eye is the lamp of the body; when your eye is filled with light, the body is... (Luke 11:34)

L'œil est la lampe du corps ; quand l'œil est rempli de lumière, le corps est... (Luc 11,34)



### **Appreciative Inquiry does not ignore reality**



Appreciative Inquiry does not rush to superficial action...



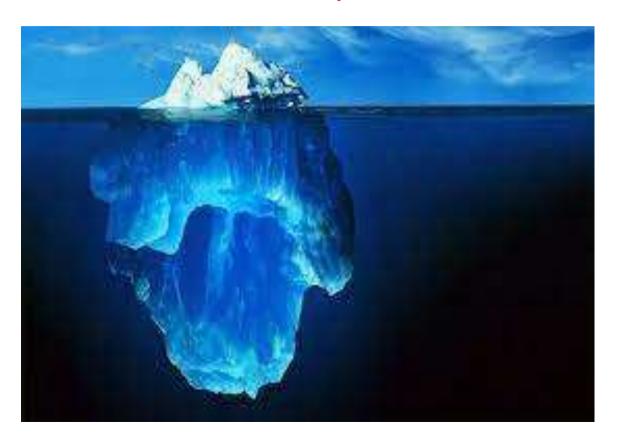
### **Understanding the Gap Between Intentions and Reality**



We need to understand for the reasons for the gap...

- The wind?
- The bow is strong enough?
- The arrow is straight?
- The bird that flew by at that moment?
- My aim?
- COVID pandemic

### Sometimes we have to look deeper to understand



## Diagnosing the Challenges

Distinguishing between Technical and Adaptive Challenges

# Distinguish Technical Problems from Adaptive Challenges

- Technical problems (even though they may be complicated) can be solved with knowledge and procedures already available
- Easier to identify by their symptoms
- Require change/solutions in just one or a few places
- Everyday, people have problems for which they do, in fact, have the necessary know-how and procedures—technical problems

### **Adaptive Challenges**

Adaptive challenges are situations for which solutions lie outside the current way of proceeding
Difficult to identify (easy to deny). People often resist even acknowledging adaptive challenges
Require experiments, new discoveries, and adjustments from numerous places in the organization
Without learning new ways—changing attitudes, values, and deep-seated behaviors—people cannot make the adaptive leap necessary to thrive in the new environment
Calls for changes of heart and mind—the transformation of long-standing habits and deeply held assumptions and values.



# Your Leadership Challenges

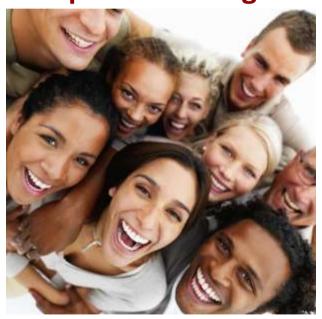
A Blend of Technical and Adaptive Challenges

# What are some of the technical aspects of the challenges you're facing?

- Finances
- Staffing
- Physical space
- Volunteers
- Connectivity (WiFi)
- Employee performance
- Other



### **Adaptive Challenges?**



- Sustainable human resources
- Interculturality
- Collaboration with laity
- Collaboration amongst ourselves
- Personal Maturity
- Relationships
- Other

### Adaptive and technical challenges

### LEVEL 1

#### Technical challenges

- Problem definition is clear
- Leader or expert can provide sociution
- Easist to resolve

### LEVEL 2

#### Technical & Adaptive

- Problem definition is clear
- Solution requires new learning
- Both leader and follower are responsible for the solution

### LEVEL 3

#### **Adaptive Challenges**

- Problem definition, solution and implementation require new learning
- Responsibility for the solution resides within the follower
- Most dificult to resolve

### A Mindset of Appreciative Inquiry... examples

1. Instead of asking "what is the problem?" we might ask, "what is the possibility"

1. Instead of asking "what is to blame?" we might ask, "who wants to be part of the solution?"

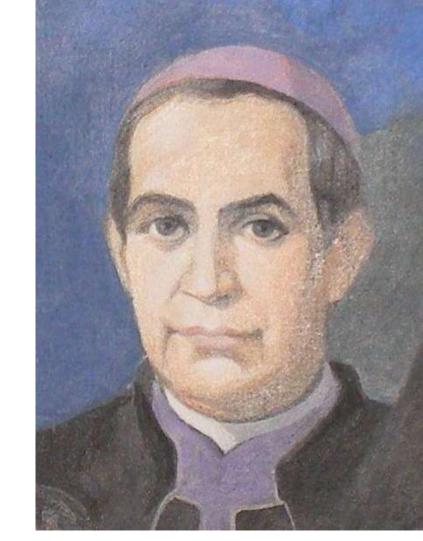
1. Instead of thinking, "what should the other people do?" we might ask, "what can we do ourselves?"



Who are we?

What does the Lord ask of us?

How does our mission inspire us to respond?





Preguntas para los pequeños grupos (30 min)

**Questions for Small Groups (30 min)** 

Questions pour les petits groupes (30 min)

### **Questions**

Dedicate a time of silence (5 mins) on a personal level to rest in our hearts
 what we said and heard in relation to symptoms and causes, and possibilities

Together: What are our thoughts and reactions to presentation?
While there is no time to make a detailed diagnosis of our challenges/opportunities, how could we apply what has been presented?
And on the basis of our conversation, what would we like to share with the General Council when we meet in plenary?



**Plenario** 

**Plenary** 

**Plénier** 

### Día de Oración (repetición)



Examen Día 3

**Examen Day 3** 

**Examen Jour 3** 





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