

Section Report for Annual Membership Meeting

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Section Information

Name: <u>Jake Samour</u> Section: <u>Hispanic</u> Current Term: <u>2017-2020</u>

Accomplishments (Briefly list up to three accomplishments in 2020)

- Formation of an Ad Hoc Committee to discern implementation of V Encuentro effort on Family ministry for and with Hispanics.
- Drafted a proposal for NACFLM to form a new Federation for Hispanic Family Life Ministry
 - Proposal has been approved by the Ad Hoc Committee and has been submitted for review from the Executive Committee
 - The Federation is dedicated to the formation and accompaniment of family life leaders who minister to Hispanic marriages and families
 - o Priorities and purpose of a new organization to focus on Hispanic family ministry
 - A letter has been sent to Bishop Rodriguez, Aux. Bishop of the Archdiocese of Denver, inviting him to be the Episcopal conference's liaison for the new federation
- Participation of Board meetings and Conference committee meetings
 - \circ Planned, recruited speakers and executed Hispanic portion of the online conference Oct 1^{st}
 - Participated in all of the Conference planning
- Continued to represent NACFLM in the Fifth Encuentro implementation process
 - o Participated in all of the planned online events
- Chosen as the team lead for the Family Leadership Team that will planned the Family Ministry response for NCCHM's upcoming Raices y Alas Congress in Sep 2021
 - Organized and leading a group of national leaders (25 of them) to implement the Encuentro findings to be presented in September during the Congress
- Collaboration with Peyton Institute to conduct a series of webinars on Hispanic Family

Challenges (Briefly list up to three challenges for the section)

- Having enough time to dedicate to all of the initiatives and tasks for the section
- Having a comprehensive and up-to-date contact list of all of the family life ministers in the country who work with Hispanic families directly and indirectly
- Not having a team of people dedicated to the ever growing needs of the Hispanic / Latino presence in the Church – hence the need for a Federation

Goals (Briefly list up to three goals for 2021)

- Establish the new Federation for Hispanic Family Life Ministry
- Coordinate, plan and carry-out the tasks necessary for successful presentations on the Family Life ministry section for the Raices y Alas Congress in Sep 2021
- Coordinate and carry-out the tasks for the Hispanic portion of the 2021 NACFLM conference
- Continue to collaborate with the Peyton Institute on the initiative to have a set of webinars on Hispanic family life ministry