



**para el mundo - pour le monde - for the World - para o mundo - per il mondo**

In 1964, members of the Parents' Association from France, Italy and Spain met in Belley, invited by Br. Superior General. They found that, on the one hand, they all had similar interests and, on the other, that all had entrusted the Brothers with the education of their children and were attracted by the charism of the Congregation.

## **INTERNATIONAL HOLY FAMILY ASSOCIATION (AISF)**

For this reason, they decided to perpetuate this relationship by creating the "International Sagrada Familia Association" (A.I.S.F.) and invited all those who made up the Educational Communities to participate: Brothers, former students, parents of former students, teachers, etc. After two years, in April 1966, the first statutes were published in Barcelona. They decided to meet the Council every year, also holding a Congress every two years for the in-depth study of a topic of common interest. Also, a meeting to promote coexistence and fraternity between the different national groups. The following year, they agreed to start activities for students that began in 1968. The first activities were "summer camps", camps, which were held in rotating turns in France, Italy or Spain.



From the year 84, more complex activities began to be organized: Olympics and cultural weeks for the students. And at the same time congresses and meetings were held.

Other activities have made our Association an important support for educational work: the campaign for the beatification of Br. Gabriel; the project to launch the Nazarene Fraternities in the year 91; support and participation in the events of the Bicentennial of the birth of Vble. Br. Gabriel Taborin in 99 and the integration of Burkina Faso into our association, among others.

In that year 1999, Brother Superior General, Honorary President of the AISF, proposed in Belley the extension of the AISF to what was the international reality of the Brothers. The AISF Bylaws were adjusted and approved in June 2001 at Belley. From then on, all the countries with a presence of the Congregation are part of the AISF. The European countries now form the European Regional Council (CRE) which continues to carry out the activities.



**Cultural Week in Barcelona. 2018**

## PURPOSES OF THE A.I.S.F.

1. Know and assimilate the spirituality of the Brothers of the Holy Family.
2. Collaborate in the mission of the Institute of the Brothers of the Holy Family and, at their request, intervene and advise in the Orientations of the Educational Communities.
3. Promote the union between the Associations of Parents of Students, Parents of Ex-Students and Former Students of the Colleges of Brothers of the Sagrada Familia.
4. Encourage the exchange of students from the various partner countries. Facilitate the accommodation and care of them in families, residences or schools, for the promotion of training, cultural and coexistence activities.
5. Facilitate friendship between the members of the Association and promote mutual help when necessary.
6. Solve the difficulties that could arise from discordant initiatives among its members.
7. Organize Congresses, meetings, seminars, trips and various recreations in any country and host as many initiatives may be useful or beneficial for the associates.
8. Administer and manage the funds of the Association.
9. And all those who lawfully contribute to the Educational Project of the Brothers of the Holy Family.



### Sa-Fa Family Olympics

France, Italy and Spain have regularly participated. On occasion, students from Argentina, Burkina or Mexico have participated.

Its fundamental objective is coexistence, although with sport as a dynamic element. It is not looking for triumph at all costs, but motivated sports activities, competed yes, but, above all, it seeks to create an atmosphere of friendship and camaraderie.

The following have been held uninterruptedly every four years, in the image of the Olympic Games: Barcelona (1984), Turin (1988), Lyon (1992), Madrid (1997) - it was delayed one year to inaugurate the School in Madrid-, Turin (2000), Gavà (2004), Lyon (2008), Madrid (2012) and in Torino (2016). Unfortunately, although they were prepared, they could not celebrate the year 2020 in Gavà.



The Olympiad is a meeting between the students of the Sa-Fa Family. Students from



# WE TELL WHAT WE LIVE

"Being able to share with students from France, Italy ... was very enriching. Turin 88 is undoubtedly one of the best experiences of my life and the memory of which is engraved deep within me and just remembering it draws me an endearing smile" Alejandro Díez Muñoz (A participating student).



"Flagging the symbol of the Sagrada Familia was an honor because you feel happy to belong not only to a team, but to a community where fraternity and love push you to defend, above all else, the commitment to share experiences with people who, in other schools, also live the same as you. Being able to say out loud that you are a member of the Sa-Fa Family is something that is not explained, it is lived and, therefore, I will always be grateful to the Brothers for the experience of the Olympics (Juan José Benítez, teacher)"

"Hundreds of young people from various nations. But understanding, cooperation, and friendship soon developed. Competitions or visits were always pleasant. You could immediately perceive the fraternal atmosphere: it was the effect of the charisma that Brother Gabriel left us that united us all. For the young people it was a very positive experience that they took home. Certain friendships born in those days continued to endure over time. (A Brother who participated in many meetings)"



"As a father, I have been fortunate to have witnessed what my son "learned" in Cultural Week. Without detracting from the visits, he made, the most important thing he achieved was the open and sincere friendship with young people from other schools and countries. Friendship with some still endures after years. That despite the fact that my son was a bit shy. It was worth it, if you doubt (A family man)."

In addition to the legal aspects, which every Association must deal with in its Assemblies, the AISF has organized several CONGRESSES on topics of educational interest. In this way it collaborates in the training of all its members.

**Some of the topics covered :**

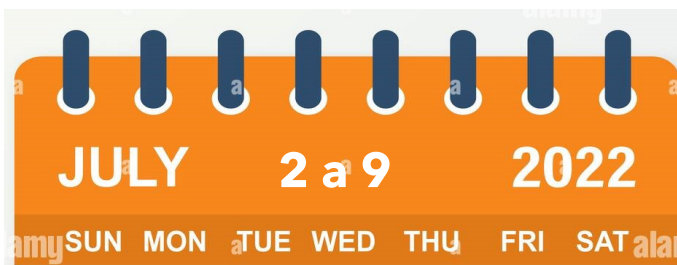
The education of youth today. \* The role of the family in the development of faith in the young. \* Pedagogy to promote Christian faith in students. \* The future of Catholic teaching in the current situation. \* Cultural and tourist meeting. Students welcomed into families. \* Parents and their responsibility in Sa-Fa educational communities. \* Towards a Nazarene brotherhood. \* The Catholic School, place of evangelization. \* Active participation in the charisma of the Brothers. Need and opportunity. \* Globalization and its impact on education. \* A new challenge: Educate in values

**Do you sign up for the next one?**

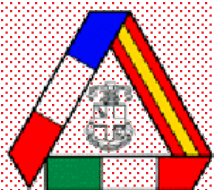
## CONFERENCES ON EDUCATIONAL TOPICS: PARENTS AND EDUCATORS







## X CULTURAL WEEK



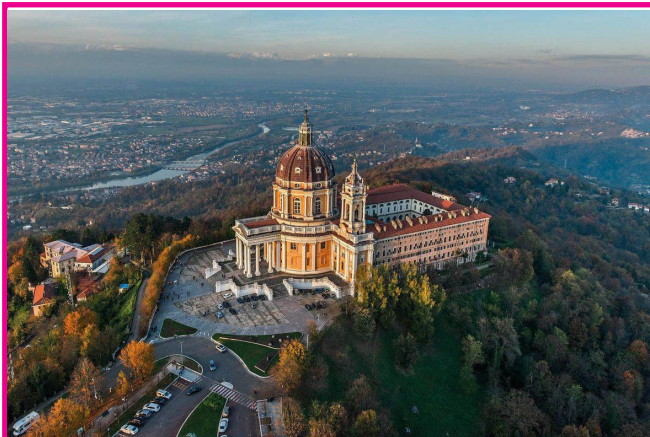
## A WINDOW TO EUROPE

**MAXIMUM HEALTH SAFETY**  
**ONLY STUDENTS WITH FULL VACCINATION CERTIFICATE**

Between July 2 and 9, 2022, the "X Cultural Week" organized by the European Regional Council that is part of the Holy Family International Association (AISF) will take place at the "Sacra Famiglia" College in Turin. Like the Sa-Fa Olympics, it is held every four years and is open to children between the ages of 11 and 15. This year we celebrate the 10th Cultural Week. It is an important occasion because it brings together students from our schools in France, Spain and Italy and allows participants to meet classmates of different nationalities and cultures from Europe, an enriching experience for all of us who are destined to live in a world globalized.



The meeting has a cultural and coexistence purpose. It is not competitive in nature; It offers us a few days where we can live together in an authentic "family spirit", typical of all our schools of the Sa-Fa Family



In addition to its human value, the meeting also intends to have a cultural and educational value, which will allow the participants to get to know some of the artistic beauties of the city of Turin: the Egyptian Museum, the Cinema Museum with its Mole Antonelliana, the Venaria Palace and its gardens...

There will also be playful moments such as a day at ZOOM, a zoo and water park where you can swim with dolphins, or the Juventus sports center with its museum.

**An opportunity that should not be missed because  
it can give a different value to the summer holidays of 2022.**

**"Called to walk together in a participatory style"**