Teamwork brings us closer to Jesus

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Icebreaker - Place everyone in a circle and place them in the neutral position. Close their eyes, and clear their minds and allow them to picture a blue handball or any object. Place the handball in the floor in the center of the circle. Allow them to open their eyes and instruct them to look and focus on the ball. As a team they must count to 10. Nobody is allowed to repeat.

Icebreaker should take Maximum 20 minutes.

Ask them to share their experiences when working as a team. How did they feel? Do they like it or not?

Discuss elements of teamwork with corresponding skits.

- 1. <u>Open mind</u>, we must acknowledge that when becoming or entering a team, we will work with different types of people. Younger, older, different cultures, tastes in music or clothes, maybe even people we don't like. We must be willing to accept them for who they are. Listen without judging, not laughing when they are vulnerable.
- 2. <u>Communication</u>, even if we are shy, we must talk to each other. Communication can even start with a smile. It is through sharing, and

opening up that a team begins to bond. Communication is not just talking, but listening. It is through communication that we begin to learn each other's role in a group.

3. <u>Trust</u>, We have to trust each other, it is not the easiest step, but it is the step that makes the team feel more special and powerful, we must trust each other with responsibilities within a group, we must trust each other with our stories and moments.

Divide the group into 3 groups and each group should do a skit on how these elements can be applied to the Jornada Group of Immaculate Conception.

Explain a bit more why Teamwork is important in Immaculate Conception.

Matthew 18:20

Describe how Jesus had all 3 of these traits when he was preaching to his people, open-minded, he hung out with the poor, and sinners, he communicated a message about the love of God, and he trusted his Apostles to carry his mission after his death.

Meditation - Put everyone in a circle holding hands, ask them all to clear their minds, and to ask God the following options, Why am I here, what role do I have, can you help me be important to this team.

As everyone is in the circle the candle in the middle will be placed and it will be used for the final activity which will be the icebreaker repeated again.

Finish the testimony explaining how all of my successes are owed to teammates and family.