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Dear Brothers,

As the Institute looks forward to the 45<sup>th</sup> General Chapter, we are happy to officially announce to you that the International Young Brothers' Assembly (mandated by the 44<sup>th</sup> General Chapter) will take place from July 29 to August 7 at De La Salle University, Dasmariñas City, Cavite, Philippines. Forty (40) Young Brothers will participate and represent their respective Regions.

It is envisaged that the International Young Brothers' Assembly will provide a unique opportunity for Young Brothers:

- To reflect and strengthen their identity,
- To appreciate and promote our vocation as Brothers,
- To express their dreams, concerns and hopes for the years to come,
- To discern together and continue to commit themselves to the Lasallian Education Mission for the young especially the poor, in line with the theme: '***I came that they may have life, and have it more abundantly***'(Jn.10, 10)

It is therefore our hope and we hope is yours too that this event will be a grace-filled moment for the entire Institute. In view of this, we appreciate the efforts of every Sector, Delegation, District, Region and the Preparatory commission towards the preparation of this assembly. Once again, we would like to invite you personally, collectively, in your communities, sectors, Delegations and Districts and Regions, to unite and pray together, from now onwards, for the success of this gathering. We recommend the following prayers to be used prior to and during the event. Please find copies of these prayers and all other information related to the Assembly on our website: <http://iyba.lasalle.org>

Finally, we would like to remind you that the outcome of this assembly will be the Young Brothers' contribution to the forthcoming General Chapter.

Therefore, we recommend that we all keep this important event in our schedule so as to unite and focus our intention to pray for all our Young Brothers.

Fraternally in De La Salle,



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