

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LAY CISTERCIAN COMMUNITIES
House Report

- 1) Name of lay community: Conversi
- 2) Contact person: Linda Harrington
- 3) Date group was established: 2005
- 4) Number of members: 26
- 5) Monastic liaison(s): Sr. Louise Burnard, Our Lady of the Mississippi Abbey
Fr. Jonah Warff. New Melleray Abbey
- 6) Date of adoption of the Lay Cistercian identity document: 2008
- 7) Charter and Statutes - most recent copy (see attachment #1)
- 8) Leadership Council - how many, how selected (see attachment #2)
- 9) Formation program - topics, activities, etc. (see attachment #3)

Please describe your community's situation considering the characteristics described in the document generated in Dubuque on "Characteristics of Lay Cistercian Communities." (no need to answer number 1):

1. *Lay Cistercian Communities receive written recognition from the Abbot/Abbess of the monastery with which the lay community is associated.*
2. *Lay Cistercians communities are assisted by a liaison from the monastic community appointed by the Abbot/Abbess.*
3. *Lay Cistercian Communities recognize and adopt the Lay Cistercian Identity document approved in Huerta in 2008.*
4. *Lay Cistercian Communities have a Charter and Statutes, approved by its members, which outline the spiritual goals of the group as well as its functioning and the link it has with the monastery.*
5. *Lay Cistercian Communities have a leadership council, comprised of lay members, that is responsible for the administration of the group.*
6. *Lay Cistercian Communities have developed a formation program comprised of a curriculum of topics and learning activities that address the values and practices of the Cistercian Charism.*

If your community has a Charter of Incorporation or Bylaws we ask that you send it to us. If your community has a Council, we ask that you describe its formation, membership and election system. Your answers will be posted on the website of the association and may also be consulted during the international meeting in Lourdes.

House Report Submission Deadline: 31 December 2013

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