

WORKS OF CHARITY

FORMATION OF THE LAITY

Magdalene of Canossa's prophetic choice, at the beginning of the 19th century, had created a network of collaboration among lay people, priests and consecrated persons for the spreading of the Kingdom of God. Her commitment to the formation of young women by the teaching of catechism and other basic subjects in rural villages as an extension of the work of the Institute is today translated into the many activities which the Sisters initiate for the formation of lay people in the apostolate. "In order to promote the spreading of the divine Glory, we form lay persons called by God, according to his plan, to dedicate themselves to the apostolate, especially in the field of education, catechesis and assistance to the sick, so that they may become guides and animators in the ecclesial community" (Rule of Life 1981, n. 57) through activities of service and evangelization.