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The exercise of communication and listening, often overcoming also the obstacle of language, is known by one who has experienced an international assembly. Words, quantitative and qualitative data: it is the attempt, guided by one who moderates the Interchapter, to go to the essential and to use well the time allowed to present a realistic view of the situation of the Society of Saint Paul starting from the priorities, operational guidelines or recommendations of the X General Chapter.

From the afternoon of Friday, 16 February, the Superior General's report, supplemented by those of the Organisms belonging to his government [SIF (formation); CTIA (apostolate); General Secretariat, Procurator's Office before the Holy See, Postulator's Office, Bursar's Office, Centre of Spirituality, Aggregated Institutes, Pauline Cooperators, Dependent Houses ...] has gone from general considerations to specific aspects.

The Circumscriptions, through the Major Superior, a Delegate or an *ad hoc* Representative, have carried out the same task of verbal sharing, sometimes supplemented by some images in order to offer direct contact with the socio-cultural, communitarian and apostolic realities of our Pauline presence.

We listened to each other, always attentively, sustained by the beautiful Church experience of the great Sunday Eucharistic celebration at the Shrine of Aparecida. The liturgy was lively and well participated by about 20,000 faithful, televised and presided with the style appropriated by Archbishop Msgr. Orlando Brandes.

Saint Paul, a great apostle and, above all, a great convert, shows how – even though starting from complex situations and sometimes without guaranteed successes – it is always possible to do something for today's humanity with today's means, in the culture of communication. Now is the appropriate time.

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