## **CHARACTERISTICS OF FORMATION**

- 1) Active
- 2) Communal
- 3) Centered on Jesus Christ and his Gospel
- 4) Ecclesial
- 5) Secular
- 6) Franciscan
- 7) Joyful
- 8) Spirit of Simplicity
- 9) Open-ended

These must be present in any program of Initial and Ongoing Formation in order for it to be authentic and effective.