

Elder Appointee Rev. Carmen Margarita Sánchez De León

I am Rev. Carmen Margarita Sánchez De León, born Puerto Rican and living in Lisbon, Portugal. I have been MCC pastor since 1996 and served as pastor in Puerto Rico and in UK. During more than 30 years I have been serving at different levels in grassroots organization (among others peace movements, women movements, HIV/AIDS organizations and human rights organizations).

I am member of the Theologies Team since 2010 and I work as Program Coordinator for Iberoamerica –Office of Emerging Ministries (in close collaboration with Rev. Elder Héctor Gutiérrez) . I am the Academic Dean of the “Darlene Garner Institute for Ibero-American Leadership Formation – OFLD.

It is my hope that this new Council of Elders continue helping our church to keep our prophetic voices and encourage the church to go more deeply into our vocation for inclusiveness, justice, diversity and multiculturalism.

I bring to this team, passion for people and the capacity to create alliances of collaboration with external organizations and between people. One of my joys is to encourage people to discover their gifts and use them to help others.

I am married to Frida Kruijt and we are mothers of Oshadi and Siboney, girl and boy, twins of five years.