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*"To Live in Genuine Sisterly Love and Facilitate Vocation"*

Dear Sisters, Candidates and Visitors,

Greetings of peace and joy! We have entered into a new year with so much of hope, looking forward expectantly and responsibly for a fruitful and holy living, and generously dedicating ourselves to our mission. This year is very important too from the point of view that it is the immediate post Chapter period, where we begin to implement the deliberations of the IX General Chapter in our life and activities. Our studies and reflections of the Acts of the Chapter will help us to have a full understanding of our Way of Life and will enable us to integrate it well in our life and mission.

### **Hearty Congratulations**

With joy we extend our hearty congratulations and prayerful support to our dear Sr Carol Kuttiyanickal, Sr Daisy Andrade, the newly appointed Provincial Superiors of Bangalore and Delhi, and Sr Jessy George, the new Delegation Superior as you have graciously and generously accepted this responsible office. On behalf of the province of Guwahati I also congratulate the provincial councillors of Bangalore, Delhi, Kolkata and EAP:

Srs Maryrose Chellamkott, Manjula Parmar, Sleeva Reddy (reappointed) Stancy Veettickamalayil, Elvine Pandimakeyil, Kiran Beck, Sabina Thelekatt and John Marie Kuzhivelil.

### **Thanks and Best Wishes**

We are proud of you dear Srs. Maryrose Chellamkott, Ancy Jacob, Gracy George and Sr Regis Savarimuthu, for you have carried out your leadership role as Delegation and Provincial Superiors so ably and fervently with dedication, diligence, sincerity and loyalty to the teachings of our Father Bishop. We pray that your future mission may have the touch of blessing from Abba Father wherever you are.

We also assure our prayerful support to all our newly appointed junior Mistresses, and local animators in our SMI family; I specially congratulate Sr Stellamary Belavandran, Sr Lily Alka Xess, Sr Kirti Xalxo (reappointed), Sr Sudha Chinnabathini, Sr Mary Mathew (reappointed), Sr Lourdu Sahaya Mary and Sr Sharlene Pulickal, (reappointed). May Abba Father give you the needed grace and blessings to carry on your noble task that you have accepted bravely and wholeheartedly to lead your assigned communities in the province.

## **Hearty Welcome**

I am happy to welcome back our Srs Pteethy Lakra, Rina Biswas and Sosan Ekka after their final profession of vows and home holidays. I wish them blessings in abundance as they take up their assignments in Dumnikura, Aghunato and Kumarikatta (temporary) respectively.

## **Blessing of the house**

In prayer and in spirit we join our dear Sr Gracy George and our sisters in Bangalore province on the occasion of the blessings of our new house at Betul, Goa. May our presence and service bring abundance of blessings to our SMI family and the people around Betul, to whom we are sent as sister apostles.

## **Retreat and courses of the year 2018**

Dear sisters, please take note of the year's retreats and courses and plan your programmes accordingly.

### **July 2018**

10<sup>th</sup> p.m. - 16<sup>th</sup> p.m. July – First Retreat on the Little Way of Spiritual Childhood

17<sup>th</sup> a.m. - 18<sup>th</sup> a.m. July – Pastoral and boarding in-charge's meeting

19<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> July – Juniors' course

### **October 2018**

13<sup>th</sup> a.m. - 14<sup>th</sup> p.m. Oct. – Animators' meet

15<sup>th</sup> a.m. - 21<sup>st</sup> p.m. Oct. – Second Retreat on the Little Way of Spiritual Childhood

22<sup>nd</sup> Oct. – Sister nurses' meet

## **Prayer requested**

We shall earnestly pray for our dear Sr Mary Helen who is suffering acutely from jaundice and is admitted in Kolkata.

For Sr Gemma Marutholil, who has gone to Mother house for two months' rest and needs a surgery later.

**We thank Abba Father** for the speedy recovery of our dear Sr Crispina Sangma, after her accident; she is able to walk now. She will be in Provincial House for the coming few months. I thank Sr Nisha Pattamkulathu and the community at Debdaru path, who took care of Sr Crispina during her recuperating period. Thank you dear sisters, for your valuable prayers offered on behalf of our Sr Crispina.

## **May they rest in peace -**

The aunty and cousin brother of our dear Sr Arulmary Louis, called home during this month. Brother-in-law of our dear Sr Jonlai Lakra, who passed away in the month of December.

## Conclusion

Acknowledging the goodness of Abba Father who has granted us the gift of this New Year and the new opportunities that are in store for us, we live our life more authentically and revitalize the way of life and charism designed for us by our Father Founder in our given situations. May our communities be places of genuine sisterly love, and zealous apostolic spirit. We shall take adequate measures to build up our communities and find concrete ways of gathering vocations for our SMI family. May our Blessed Mother and St Therese of the Child Jesus help us to be credible witnesses of our religious consecration.

Lovingly,

In our Immaculate Mother,



Sr Jancy Francis  
Provincial superior

**Enclosure:** Name list of our sisters and my programme

**NB: Original Certificates:** Dear sisters, those of you, who have taken your original academic certificates for D.EL.ED. or any other purpose, please return them to the provincial secretary as early as possible.

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