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JUBILEE WISDOM

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-formerly S. Chabanel



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50 Years

ister Pat served as a teacher for 14 years and a principal for 26 years in St. Louis, Missouri. Since 2008, she has volunteered with the Catholic Urban Program in East St. Louis, Illinois. She received her bachelor's in Spanish from the former Notre Dame College in St. Louis and a master's in elementary education from Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville.

A blessing of these years I want to share is the gift of the wonderful students and adults whom I have met and been able to work with throughout these years.

The wisdom I would like to share is be willing to see new things, do new things, try new things and, above all, be open to the Holy Spirit who usually speaks through others.

The sisters who educated me in elementary and secondary schools drew me to the SSND. I knew I wanted to teach children. Most of the sisters I knew liked children, were happy, enjoyed life and were willing to spend time with the students. They seemed to enjoy being with one another and spent time in church for Mass and prayed together in their chapel. These are qualities I admired and wanted to do something similar. I am glad that I did.