

# 2014 Jubilee



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## JUBILEE WISDOM

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**-Pauline Eischens, SSND**

*-formerly S. Joyce Mary*

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*50 Years*

**Sister Pauline** began her SSND ministry at Good Counsel in Mankato with 15 years as activity director, nurse aide and driver. She then studied and graduated as an LPN from St. Mary's School of Nursing, Pierre, South Dakota. Next she ministered in various places: Maryhouse Nursing Home, Pierre, South Dakota; Good Counsel; St. Vincent's Residential School for Challenged Adolescents in Freeport, Illinois; and St. Joseph Provena Adult Day Center also in Freeport. From 2005 to the present Sister Pauline has been a well-loved companion nurse at Good Counsel.

**A blessing of my life has been** being a part of an international congregation. I've lived with SSNDs from North America, Japan, Guam and experienced our oneness. The Rome Renewal program helped us silver jubilarians know our foundress Mother Mary Theresa of Jesus Gerhardinger and our heritage in a new way. This helped us make her concerns our own.

**The wisdom I have learned** over the years and I treasure deeply is that becoming a God-centered person is key to holiness and happiness. From that flows a warm and caring love for others. Our faithful God is with me always in this life-long quest.

**SSNDs were my teachers** at St. Leo and Canby, Minnesota as well as Good Counsel Academy, Mankato. I was impressed by their love for each other and their zeal in assisting each student learn well and develop their talents.

**Every experience, particularly at Freeport, gave me an appreciation** for the uniqueness of each individual and an awareness that each person has something to give and something to receive. At Freeport I also had the opportunity to live intercommunity with about 10 different orders of sisters and to experience their charisms and customs. For the last nine years I have been privileged to be companion nurse to my own sisters at Good Counsel, our missions nearby and even from Africa.



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