

# 2015 Jubilee



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## JUBILEE WISDOM

*Grow in the love of God  
and in gratitude for  
all of God's gifts.*

**-Mary Joseph Quichocho  
SSND**

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60 Years

*Sister Mary Joseph has devoted the majority of her ministry to teaching elementary and middle school students in the Agaña Guam Diocese. From an initial one-year assignment in Gary, Indiana, in 1956, she moved to the western Pacific island towns of Yona, Barrigada and Agat, serving in three Catholic schools until 1980. Following a sabbatical in the United States, she followed a call to the Caroline Islands, teaching at St. Mary School in Yap through 1988. Returning to Guam, she devoted herself for another two decades to students in the classrooms at Mount Carmel, St. Francis and San Vicente Schools. Since 2010, she has resided at the SSND residence in Barrigada, continuing as a volunteer at San Vicente School there. She received a bachelor's in elementary education from the University of Guam, located in Mangilao, Guam.*

### A blessing of these years I want to share is ...

School Sisters of Notre Dame are committed to helping students to do their best. We have high expectations. I tell my students, "You are here for a reason. – Do the work." I know their parents send them to our schools to get a good education. I've been blessed to hear from students about how they appreciate what they learned in my classroom. It was very special for me when Anthony came back after military service in the Middle East and told me, "You really did care for me."

### The words of wisdom I would like to share ...

Grow in the love of God and in gratitude for all of God's gifts. It is important to ask the question: "Am I really grateful for all his blessings and protections?" God has helped us through war and typhoon. I reflect on the Scripture passage about the ten lepers who were cured. One came back to give thanks. Where are the other nine? Where are you?



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