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## Sister Barbara Lambor-Hagel, SSND

*Sister Barbara has spent most of her religious life in Guam. She began her ministry in 1991, teaching first graders at St. Mary School in Yap, Caroline Islands, for a semester. She moved back to Guam to help with Sunday school at San Isidro Parish and volunteered at a children's shelter with the Good Shepherd Sisters. In 1994, Sister Barbara went to Ebeye in the Marshall Islands to be a sister-companion to Sister Paul Mary, and taught at Queen of Peace High School for two years. Upon returning to Guam, Sister Barbara resumed ministering to children, both at the children's shelter and at Mt. Carmel Parish Sunday school. Beginning in 1999, she served for five years as a case worker for the elderly at Catholic Social Services. Sister Barbara served as a supervisor for Alee Shelter in 2004, the only shelter in Guam for abused children. Three years later, she served at Notre Dame High School in Guam as a campus minister. Sister Barbara also ministered at San Vicente School as a teacher's aide for a year. In 2010, she returned to Notre Dame in Guam as a part-time campus minister and a librarian. After a sabbatical, Sister Barbara now serves in San Antonio, studying at Oblate School of Theology and as a part-time receptionist at the Oblate Renewal Center. She is also a member of the Archdiocese of San Antonio Vocations Team.*



### *A reflection I have to share...*

I have so much gratitude for all the sisters, friends and family who have been with me on this journey for these last 25 years. I'm forever grateful for God's faithfulness and most compassionate love for me. In March, we celebrated International Women's Day. At a prayer service I attended, the leader called out the names of women from the Old Testament and the New Testament that have persisted. These women for me were my mother, my grandmother and Sister Mary Carolyn Stahl. One memory I want to share is about one sister's faithfulness in journeying with me from 1989 as a postulant in Guam to 2014 when I first came to San Antonio. Sister Mary Carolyn was missioned in Guam for many years. She left Guam before I entered the postulancy in the late 1980s. From 1989 to 2014, Sister Mary Carolyn always sent me a birthday card. Three times I thought she forgot, but these were the years that I was not in Guam. In 1995 -1996 when I was missioned in Ebeye, both years my birthday cards came one month later. In 2008 in Peru, my birthday card came one month later, and in 2011-2012, when I was out on the East Coast I got my birthday cards two weeks later - all because she always sent them to Guam. She was the face of God's faithfulness to me. I'm forever grateful.

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