

Directional Statement 24th General Chapter

*Love Gives Everything**

We, School Sisters of Notre Dame, direct our entire lives toward that oneness for which Jesus Christ was sent. At this critical turning point in the sacred history of creation and humanity, we have heard our deep desire to trust and dare (YAS, C 4).

- ❖ We embrace Gospel Poverty, probe its deeper meaning, and risk opening ourselves to be transformed (YAS, C 15-17; GD 19).
- ❖ We deepen our consciousness of who we are in relationship with the Triune God, one another, and God's amazing universe, particularly through theological reflection on the Trinity (YAS, C 12).
- ❖ We claim our authentic community life as a prophetic witness of unity in diversity and a service to God's people (YAS, C 7-9).
- ❖ We expand our understanding of interculturality and commit to develop skills for intercultural living in community and society (YAS, GD 36).
- ❖ We risk innovative responses as educators in a rapidly changing world impacted by globalization and technology (YAS, Prologue; C 22-24, 26).

- ❖ We educate, advocate, and act in collaboration with others for the dignity of life and the care of all creation (YAS, C 9, 17; GD 19).
- ❖ We discern as a congregation which urgent and critical global concerns we are called to address and we dare to respond boldly in unsuspected ways (YAS, C 17; GD 36-38).

The Triune God impels us into the heart of the world to be women of peace, hope, and love. In the spirit of Blessed M. Theresa and Mother M. Caroline, we, the living community, continue to develop our charism according to *You Are Sent* (YAS, Prologue).

**Blessed M. Theresa Gerhardinger, writings # 1.*

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