## Sister Mary Marguerite Weiler, SSND-75 Gear Jubilee!



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As she celebrates 75 years, Sister Mary Marguerite looks back on her experiences as an SSND with gratitude and joy.

"The experiences that stand out for me include the opportunities to visit our Sisters at ministry sites in Nigeria, El Salvador (through SHARE Foundation), in Rome, in South Dakota (Sioux Reservation), in Kentucky (Appalachia), in Tutwiler (Mississippi), in Eagle Pass (Texas) and throughout Florida over 35 some years.

"At each location, I found Sister friends in faith and companions on the journey.

"Volunteer opportunities likewise provided enrichment at Gallagher Services (with persons struggling with mental challenges), Franciscan Center Food Services, and Florida Pregnancy Care Center. Finding Jesus in all these settings, in the words of Joyce Rupp, gave me 'a fresh slant or perception that re-grounds my spiritual growth. This sighting enlivens my motivation for ongoing transformation." (America Magazine, Jan. 2024)

When asked why she chose SSND, Sister Mary Marguerite says the School Sisters were her teachers at both NDP and NDMU, and a powerful draw.

"They were superb teachers. I still remember their names with fondness. I still sit in their classrooms vicariously. They were intellectual Sister models with deep spirituality. They were guides to my future."

## Sister Mary Marguerite Weiler, SSND-Cont'd

## As Sister Mary Marguerite shared during her 70th Jubilee:

"One of God's greatest gifts to me was to surround me with a 'Band of Sisters' through ministry, friendship, charism and mission. Over the years their support and buoyancy has enabled me to weather the storms and accept the challenges. They are truly my Sisters across the globe."

