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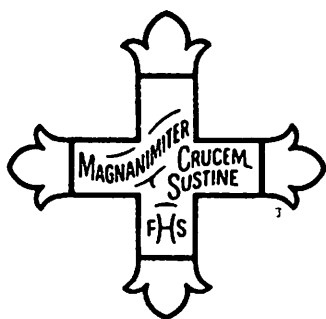
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The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom  
And the knowledge of the Holy One is insight  
Proverbs 9:10



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**Esther Miller left for Malawi, Africa on  
September 29, 1992.**

***Our prayers go with you, Esther.***

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## FROM OUR 2ND VICE PRESIDENT



# FIRST NATIONAL RETREAT PLANS ANNOUNCED

*"For the equipping of the saints for the  
work of ministry..."*

With these words of scripture as a declaration of purpose, the National Council of the Order of the Daughters of the King began the planning for a national retreat\* for all members to be held August 19-23, 1994.

Replacing the convention type gathering of past triennial years, all Daughters are invited to participate in a retreat to be held near, but not in the Church's General Convention site city of Indianapolis, Indiana. The National Retreat will be held the week before the Episcopal Church's Convention so that Daughters may begin praying as a body for the General Convention—our historic ministry of daily prayer will not be changed.

Daughters of the King will be given the opportunity to live in Christian community with one another. Under one roof, we will gather to worship, praise, eat, sleep and better learn how to carry out the Daughters' mission to spread God's kingdom by prayer, service and evangelism for His sake.

- In the morning, the Rt. Rev. William Cox, retired Bishop of Oklahoma will be the Retreat Master, teaching on prayer and meditation.
- At noon, worship with a different format each day will be offered. The Rt. Rev. Craig Anderson, Bishop of South Dakota and National Chaplain of the Order will be the chief planner and principal celebrant.
- The afternoon retreat leader will be the Rev. Dr. Everett L. (Terry) Fullam, who is an internationally known teacher, preacher and author.

Necessary business will take place in the evenings including the introductions and the election of National Council Members. But the days will be filled with excellent teachings on the Order's Rule of Life with time set aside for reflection, meditation, joyful music and daily Eucharists plus interaction with other Christians in small study groups.

The next issues of **THE ROYAL CROSS** will contain further information on plans and prices (there will be one inclusive fee for lodging and meals), location and logistics.

National Council asks you now to set aside the days of August 19th to 23rd, 1994 to bless and be blessed by your presence at our first National Retreat. And do begin praying "for the edifying of the body of Christ." Ephesians 4:12.

by Noreen Burroughs, 2nd V.P.  
National Retreat Coordinator\*

\*National Retreat was formerly TRIENNIAL

## FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Recently I was asked the question, "How would my parish differ if I had a chapter of the Order of the Daughters of the King?" One phrase came out as part of my answer, "you would have a community of women..." What does it mean to be a community of women and are we actually a community?

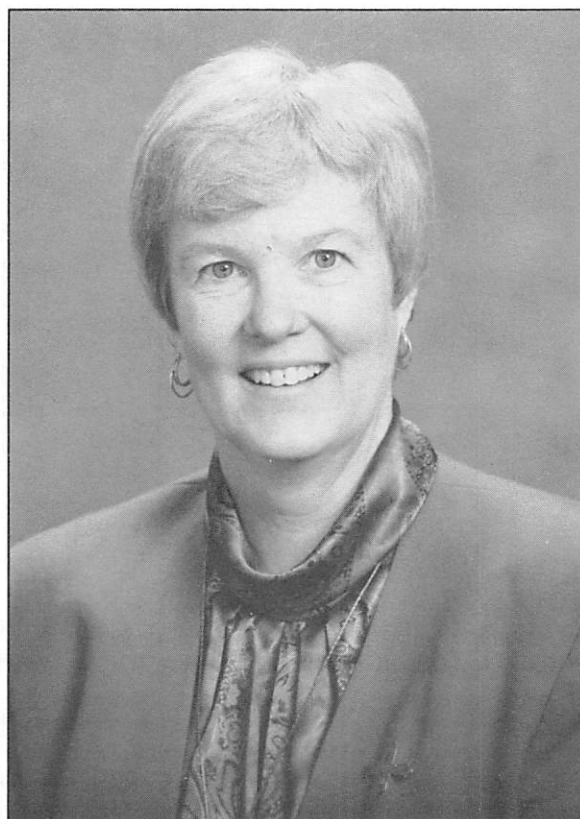
Community implies several things—some kind of commonality, a commitment of time, a sense of wholeness whose sum is greater than the parts. Scott Peck in his book The Different Drum says "The member of a group who have achieved genuine community do take pleasure—even delight—in themselves as a collective." Scott Peck goes on to say that in the book The Scent of Love, Keith Miller proposes that the reason why the early Christians were such phenomenally successful evangelists was not because of their charisma and not because Christianity was such a palatable doctrine, but because they had discovered community. They gave off a scent of love and others wanted to be a part of that.

What about the Daughters of the King—are we a community?" We certainly have a commonality. We have each stood up and "promised faithfully to obey the Rule of Prayer and the Rule of Service, to offer our loyal aid to the priest and to the parish, to advance the cause of Christ; to wear habitually the cross of the Order and to work for its purposes as God may give us the opportunity." (Handbook) We have each made a serious commitment with this vow. We have not said that now we are better Christians than others or that our spiritual growth is complete, but we have made a commitment to discipline our lives in such a way that our relationship with Jesus can grow through prayer and through that growth, we can be of service to God.

That is what brings us together—not similar political or church issue views, not similar gifts or ages, not similar cultures or races. We are as diversified as the Episcopal Church, but our commonality bridges all those differences. Through Jesus Christ, we all become one. I maintain that we have a very strong basis for a true community in the strictest sense of the word.

But commonality demands more. It demands a commitment of time and self. It demands attending meetings, on a chapter, diocesan, provincial and national level. In our chapters and dioceses, it demands getting to know each other with openness and love over a period of time. Not all of us can travel to provincial or national retreats, but we can help send our sisters with the knowledge that they will return with news from the larger community. It is a very special thing to gather at a retreat and experience the multitude of gifts and diversities among our sisters—on this foundation the community flourishes.

Our cross gives us an outward sign to recognize each other as well as to say to the world "Hey out there—I am committed to Jesus Christ." I have recently collected several wonderful stories about wearing our cross habitually. At one of our meetings, the Executive Committee visited the National Cathedral in Washington D.C. to look for the symbol of our cross embedded in one of the pillars (yes, it is there!) and because a sister from New Jersey was wearing her cross, we spotted her and eventually,



Elizabeth A. Hart

at their bus, had a reunion with members from the Diocese of New Jersey. A sister in Northern California, who does group work in the nearby federal prison, always wear her cross, and because of resulting discussion over what the cross and its initials meant, walked into the chapel one day and discovered a banner announcing the "Sons of the King." The cross we wear is a symbol of who we are as individuals and as a community.

As I travel around the country, I am finding that as sisters, we are taking delight in the fact that we are part of something that is much greater than ourselves—a community. But to nurture that community we must keep ourselves open to the Holy Spirit so that we neither get bogged down in our differences nor become so inflated with our own importance that we forget what we're all about—a community of women who in all humility get down on our knees to praise God, to ask for forgiveness and to open ourselves up so that the spirit of God can flow through us and lead us to do His Will. Amen.

For His Sake,  
Elizabeth Hart

## FROM AND ABOUT OUR CHAPLAIN

### ON POLITICS AND PRAYER

From invocations to benedictions, silent prayers to alleluias, cajoling intercessions and loud amens; the national political campaign has not been exempt from the employment of prayer as a part of the political process. Nor should it be.

The importance of selecting and electing leaders for our communities, the nation, and the world, given our role as a Superpower, is a process that should be informed by prayer. But what should we pray for as we anticipate the election in November? It strikes me that there are at least three areas that are worthy of our daily intercessions and petitions. And so, as your Chaplain, I bid you to pray for the following:

**PRAY FOR THE POLITICAL PROCESS** – Pray that the Lord will deliver us from the character assassination, muckraking, mudslinging, and sleaze that can attend and, unfortunately, have been a part of the election process thus far. Pray that the process, in the form of a campaign, might be an opportunity for those seeking office to express in a courageous, articulate, and convincing way, their vision and strategy for leadership that will promote the ideals of justice and peace. Pray that such courage, and clarity will mark public debate and moral discernment after the election.

**PRAY FOR THE CANDIDATES** – Use the prayers from The Book of Common Prayer for those in positions of public trust. (Prayers for National Life, p. 820 ff.) Pray not for victory for a particular candidate but that all candidates be candid in expressing their convictions; that they are not tempted by expediency or the lure of personal power. Pray also for the families of the candidates, who are exposed to close scrutiny, invasions of privacy, and even, slander; that they may be strengthened for their potential positions as “public families” and role models for the American people.

**PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE** - In recognition of the United State's role as a superpower, pray for ALL the nations of the world. This election is not simply an election of national leaders. Our top elected officials must wear the mantle, have the vocation, and act the role of world leaders. Pray that the election process itself will result in officials who will demonstrate a willingness to move beyond a cold war mentality to a readiness to provide leadership for the global community.

Pray also that all citizens exercise their responsibility by casting their votes for the persons able to fulfill the requirements of the jobs for which they seek election. Pray that voters will curb their tendency to look for political saviors and messiahs. Pray that we, the citizens of this country, obtain the discernment needed to curb our consumption; and to pray together daily for the common good. Through such prayer, help us to realize that the act of voting discloses and invites us to a deeper opportunity and responsibility to serve the common good in the name of Jesus Christ.

Pray and vote.

In Christ,  
Craig B. Anderson, Ph.D.; Bishop



### BISHOP CRAIG ANDERSON HONORED

OUR CHAPLAIN, The Rt. Rev. Craig B. Anderson, has received a call to and been elected to the position of Dean of the General Theological Seminary in New York City. Bishop Craig, who has served the last eight years as the eighth bishop of the Diocese of South Dakota, was, before that, a professor of Theology at The School of Theology at the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee. Currently he is on a sabbatical as a post-doctoral research fellow at Ohio State University. He will assume his new duties as President and Dean of General Theological Seminary on May 1, 1993.

He has this to say about leaving South Dakota: “My excitement in terms of this new challenge is mingled with sadness in leaving South Dakota, which has been a spiritual home for me these past eight years. I will miss the people, the beauty and holiness of the land, and the sense of solitude that I have enjoyed in traveling around the state these several years. Serving as President of The General Theological Seminary will provide ... an expression of gratitude to the larger Church for all the support we in South Dakota have received for the mission and ministry of the Church in this diocese.”

An advocate of women's ministry, he plans to retain his position as National Chaplain for The Order of the Daughters of the King. I know that Daughters everywhere will share the Council's relief that he will continue to be with us.

Editor



## THIS AND THAT —

### NEWS, CORRECTIONS, ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### DEPARTMENT OF DE- CONFUSION

Recently, within a week, our National Office at Marietta received several letters concerning the Order of the King's Daughters. THIS order was begun in 1886 in New York State and expanded in the Twentieth Century to include men by adding to its title "and Sons,"—making their current designation The Order of the Daughters and Sons of the King. The cross of this order is shaped like a Maltese Cross with the date "1886" inscribed on the back and the initials INS inscribed on the front. The present headquarters of this order are in Chautauqua, N.Y. at The Chautauqua Institute, 34 Vincent Ave., P.O. Box 1017, Chautauqua, N.Y. 14722. Their phone number is (716) 357-4951. Any one who has come across a memento of this order may refer directly to them by writing to that address, or calling them. The order is concerned with the education of people in need of help, i.e. Indians in the past. It has provided music scholarships for people in music camps, especially in the summer.

There is no relationship of this order with THE ORDER OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING. Our own handbook provides us with the history of our order, picture of the emblem, and guidelines for membership.

#### CORRECTION

In the Editor's article on the background of Christian healing were two errors regarding The Order of St. Luke. It was founded in 1932 by the late Rev. John Gaynor Banks and his wife, Ethel. The Rev. Alfred W. Price, erroneously identified as the order's founder, did carry forward the work of this ecumenical order into many countries of the world and to many towns in the U.S.A. — Editor.

**National Conference on  
Renewal & Evangelism  
Ridgecrest, N. Carolina  
Nov. 11-15**

#### ONLY GOD KNEW

Only God knew how deep was my need for a blessing the day my husband, Mark, died. Only God knew how sorry I was to lose my Daughters' cross a few weeks before that day.

REJOICE WITH ME! Our God is all-knowing.

REJOICE WITH ME! I found my cross.

The afternoon of Mark's death I arrived home weary of body and spirit. I searched my closet for the oldest, most comfortable clothing. There in a decades-old dress was the bright silver cross of The Daughters of the King.

Who would know I could feel joy on such a dreary day?

Who knew I needed a real show of the presence of God? God our Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit knew. Our Triune God strengthened me then and there. I have never been left alone from that moment to this.

Praise God from whom all blessing flow. God grant that I may dwell in his house forever. AMEN!

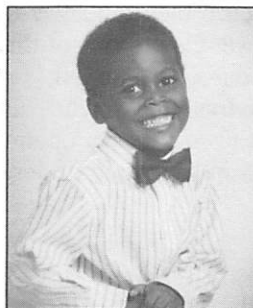
Leonie Miller

#### ! ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM PAT POWERS !

Dear Daughters,

I want to share two new, exciting events in my life. First, I became a mother on June 1, 1992, when my son's adoption in Brazil became final. Robson David Charles Powers will be five in October. He has already brought great joy into the lives of his "mom" and "grandmother" (Elizabeth Daniel). Second, on August 1, 1992, I became the Rector of St. Mark's Church, Buffalo, N.Y. I appreciate all the prayers that have sustained me during this difficult year away from my beloved Brazil. Please keep Robi and my parish in your prayers as we start a new life together.

FHS,  
Pat Powers



#### AN INVITATION

The DIOCESE OF ALABAMA ORDER OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING will hold its Diocesan Retreat February 26-28, 1993, at Gulf Shores, Alabama. Our Spiritual Leader for the weekend is The Rev. Tom Schultz. He is a monk and an ordained priest of the Order of the Holy Cross at Incarnation Priory, Berkeley, California. Fr. Tom is trained as a Spiritual Director and is presently gathering information for publication regarding the Rosary for Episcopalians.

All Daughters of the King are invited to join us for this retreat. For more information, please contact: Sabrina Evans, 5951 Willow Ridge Road, Pinson, AL 35126 or phone at area code 205 - 681-4115.

#### GIFTS AND SERVICE

Recently our church family suffered the senseless loss of a young man in a tragic auto accident. Nothing made sense that Sunday evening when the call went out about this horrible event, nor in the week to follow except for the support, prayers, and service led by our pastor and the Daughters of the King.

An all night prayer vigil was held before the funeral services. Many church members participated, but the contributions of the Daughters gave the sense of really belonging and the realization that THEY ARE WHO THEY SAY THEY ARE. As our priest said one evening to our President, "I can always look at that back pew and find it filled with Daughters who are there ready to serve." The prayers and service have not ended with the burial; they have only just begun. What a Gift, and again, "Grace Happens."

Mimi Jordan, St. Elizabeth Chapter  
Memphis, Tennessee

#### YOUR EDITOR SPEAKS

For the Fall issue I have received TWELVE hand-written submissions. FROM NOW ON, ALL handwritten items will be returned to sender. ALSO! If you want your photos returned, please send a SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE. NO EXCEPTIONS.

(last of the series)

## WOMEN'S WAYS OF KNOWING: THE SPIRITUAL GIFTS OF WISDOM AND KNOWLEDGE

by  
The Rev'd. Susan Creighton

As I approach that mythic and mystical age of a half-century, I occasionally entertain fantasies of finding a "wise old woman" who can guide the way: someone who has gone this way before, who has lived her life—with all its joys and its sorrows; someone who has loved, and prayed, and grown wise in the process; someone who *knows* herself and *knows* God. It is not, I suspect, a very original longing: legends are replete with heroes and heroines seeking guidance from a wise old woman, a fairy god-mother, or even a mid-wife.

In our own Biblical tradition, the story of Ruth, the ancestress of King David, follows this pattern. Suddenly widowed and homeless, Ruth embraces her mother-in-law Naomi and proclaims her loyalty: "Where you go, I will go; Where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God..." (Ruth 1:16-17, NRSV) Another familiar example of this search for feminine wisdom is the story of the young, unwed and pregnant Mary journeying into the hill country of Judea to visit her older cousin Elizabeth. (Luke 1:39-56) Can we presume that Mary knew of Elizabeth's own pregnancy? Perhaps; Mary surely sought wisdom and guidance from Elizabeth, and the latter's cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb," gave the young virgin affirmation and support.

In the New Testament, Paul gives preeminence to wisdom and knowledge among the spiritual gifts "given for the common good." (1 Cor. 12:7-11) These gifts, I believe, are bestowed not only through revelation and charism, but through the lived experience of God's creation. The stories of Ruth and Naomi, Mary and Elizabeth, demonstrate the particular character of feminine wisdom, which derives from qualities of relationship and shared experience, and from knowledge rooted in emotion and intuition, and integrated with objective reason.

We find these same qualities in the feminine image of *Sophia*, from the "wisdom literature" of the Bible.<sup>1</sup> These writings identify *Sophia* in several important dimensions. As Creation, "(Sophia) is a breath of the power of God ... a reflection of eternal light, spotless mirror of the working God..." (Wisdom 7:25,26); "(Sophia) came forth from the mouth of the Most High, and covered the earth like a mist..." (Ecclesiasticus 24:3) *Sophia* is also identified as Wisdom: "Get wisdom, get insight ... do not forsake her, and she will keep you; love her, and she will guard you ... Prize her highly, and she will exalt you; she will honor you if you embrace her," (Proverbs 4:5-8) and "Wisdom is radiant and unfading, and she is easily discerned by those who love her ... She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her... She goes about seeking those worthy of her, and she graciously appears to them in their paths, and meets them in every thought." (Wisdom 6:12-16) Wisdom is thus specifically linked with creative energy, with love or relationship, and with experience: wisdom "ap-

pears to us in our paths."

Even the dictionary defines wisdom as being "that quality of having great *understanding of people* and of situations and (of having) unusual *experience* and great learning." (Webster, 7th Collegiate) And contemporary studies confirm that women derive their knowledge from a variety of sources: listening to the voices of others; listening to our own "inner voice"; listening to the voice of reason; and finally, by "connecting" all these voices, and "constructing" knowledge as the mature expression of wisdom.<sup>2</sup> Here again we see that wisdom derives from lived experience (not just from rational, objective reason and logic), and from within a context of relationship and connectedness.

John Dunne, a contemporary Roman Catholic theologian, expresses this same sense in an almost lyric style, saying: "Wisdom that goes beyond that of age, the Wisdom of God ... has to be in the knowing of hearts, the heart of light and the heart of darkness, the heart of fire and the heart of ice."<sup>3</sup> The heart of light and the heart of darkness: This is the wisdom and knowledge we seek in our "wise old women (and men)"; it is wisdom and knowledge rooted in the unity of God and Creation, and obtained through human experience.

Returning to our examples of Ruth and Mary, we see that they both listened to the "inner voice" that contradicted a purely rational and objective judgment. Instead of returning to her own homeland, Ruth followed her heart and Naomi; and, rather than denying the possibility of virgin pregnancy, Mary opened her very being to the gift of Life. Ruth and Mary also sought guidance, support, and wisdom from within the context of their relationships with Naomi and Elizabeth. As a consequence, they were able to connect their inner knowledge with their life experience, with reasonable, thoughtful and responsible choices, and with the larger — even cosmic — dimensions of God's creation and salvation. Ruth and Mary embodied the true gift of God's wisdom, the "knowing of hearts."

In preparing this essay, I asked a friend who is a contemplative, "What is it we seek, as women, when we seek wisdom? What is wisdom?" After a night of prayer, she responded: "Wisdom is the knowledge that comes from love." Yes. Wisdom is the knowing of the heart, the fruit of love — love that can only be known when head, heart, mind, and body are connected, and when all are known as God's gift of creation.

<sup>1</sup> Scholars include in wisdom literature Proverbs, Job, Ecclesiastes, and (in the Apocrypha) Baruch, the Wisdom of Solomon, and Sirach (Ecclesiasticus); various Psalms and portions of Genesis, Deuteronomy, Isaiah, and Daniel are also sometimes considered to be in the wisdom tradition. See Cady, Susan et al., *Sophia: The Future of Feminist Spirituality* (NY: Harper & Row, 1986), p. 66f. This book is a highly recommended overview of the tradition of Wisdom/Sophia throughout scripture, and its relation to spirituality and feminism.

<sup>2</sup> Belenky, et al., in *Women's Ways of Knowing: The Development of Self, Voice, and Mind* (NY: Basic Books, 1986).

<sup>3</sup> Dunne, John, *The House of Wisdom* (NY: Harper & Row, 1985), p. 127.

## MINISTRY RESOURCES

### Reviews • Information • Sources

### For Service, Evangelism, Study and Enjoyment

This page intends to bring to the attention of Chapters and individual Daughters a variety of thought and action provoking materials. Themes and topics of past issues of **The Royal Cross** may have led you to similar material with a different slant or approach. When you find any new—or tried and true—material that you think other Daughters would enjoy—share it!

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*potpourri (pō-pū-'re) n. (F) 2. a miscellaneous collection*  
*quartet (kwōr-'tet) n. (I) 2. a group of set of four*

*A potpourri of book titles and reviews from Daughters provide us with our first quartet of books. On the surface these titles may appear extremely divergent. What these books have in common has to do with relationships—the caring and sharing of our diversity and our commonality, our faith and witness, our talents and needs.*

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### OUT OF THE SALT SHAKER AND INTO THE WORLD

by Rebecca Manley Pippert (Intervarsity Press)

Reviewed by Sue Schlanbush

Although this book was written in 1979, it is still a valuable book for those who are concerned about doing the work of evangelism without fear of offending those with whom they come in contact.

Pippert's book is well thought out and easily read. It helps us feel relaxed and enthusiastic about sharing our faith. This book is fun and deep, light, and life changing.

The early chapters of the book contain accurate theological background of Christ as an evangelist and Jesus as both human and Divine. Pippert offers very sound advice to those who are shy but still desire to share their life in Christ with others.

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### KEEPING THE SABBATH WHOLLY

by Marva J. Dawn (aka Sedore) Eerdman's, Michigan

Reviewed by Joan Sheldon

The author notes that while Christians give more than lip service to all the other commandments, the third one, which tells us to keep HOLY the Sabbath, is pretty much ignored. She presents convincing arguments for resting one day out of every seven. God rested from his labors of creating the world on the seventh day. Now modern researchers are telling us that the human body is programmed to put out effort for six days with the seventh day off for rest.

Dawn recognizes that keeping the seventh day holy will be a little different for a Christian than for a Jew. She provides many creative suggestions for Sabbath keeping and cites many rewards for doing so. And finally, she warns us against buying into a guilt trip if at first you don't succeed. Keeping the Sabbath is for our benefit, and if at first we don't succeed, we should keep on trying.



## RESOURCES cont.

### **THE SONS OF THE WIND**

Edited by R.M. Dooling (Harper/SF)

Reviewed by Bishop Craig B. Anderson, Ph.D.

An intriguing title and a subject matter uppermost in the thoughts and prayers of Daughters of the King makes The Sons of the Wind a likely book to recommend for serious reading in the sacred beginnings of the Lakota Nation.

The creation myths tell of the Sacred Beings, of the personalizing of the forces and of the spiritual qualities that undergird the Lakotan universe. It is the epic account of how it all began: the stirring of loneliness, the appearance of the Spirits and the animals and the first holy people. There is the story of the making of the four times and the four directions. There are stories of the Sacred Being's longing for companionship and being granted the power to create for himself a companion. And finally, there is the story of the coming on earth of the Real People, "Ikle Oyate." The following story tells of Wakan Tanka (the Great Spirit) watching over the Real People and of the meaning of the Sacred (Peace) Pipe.

This is a book to be read seriously and thoughtfully. It is a book whose contents can give a clearer understanding and appreciation of the spirituality of the Native-American.

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### **EARTH PRAYERS From Around the World—Honoring the Earth**

Edited by Elizabeth Roberts and Elias Amidon (Harper/SF)

Reviewed by Elizabeth Hart

Small in its physical appearance, this book is huge in its content and impact. Sections of the book have such inviting titles as "Healing of the Whole," "Blessing the Animals," "Cycles of Life," "A Sacred Place," "Praise and Thanksgiving," and "The Daily Round." The acknowledgments for permission to quote are an almost endless listing of selections from the well known and the obscure, the secular and the sacred, the ancient and the contemporary, prose writers and poets, theologians and mystics, Rabbis and rebels.

The book ends with "A Calendar of Earth Days" and the hope of the editors that "through the daily practice of Earth Prayers, we can renew our sense of reverence for the natural order. The Prayer Vigil that Daughters and others participated in before the World Conference on the Environment, held in Brazil, was a wonderful beginning for "we have begun to grasp the extent of damage done to earth's life systems ... so much lost ... yet the healing of our relationship with this planet ultimately needs to emerge from our hearts and from our spirit."

## DEVICES AND DESIRES

*(In the summer issue of TRC, note was made that Francis I. Clark, President of the Schuylkill Deanery Chapter of the Daughters of the King, Diocese of Bethlehem, PA, was elected President of the diocesan Episcopal Church Women in January of this year. Here is the talk she gave as retiring V.P.)*

At the time that I received an invitation to attend a Quiet Day, my schedule was full for that date. The Quiet Day was sponsored by the Daughters of the King, Diocese of Pennsylvania and the St. John the Evangelist Chapter. I squeezed it in place on my calendar but did not respond to the sender and put it out of my mind. While scanning my calendar on the morning of that date, I found that I have a few minutes between appointments and decided, as a Daughter, I needed to put in an appearance.

Did you ever have the feeling that you were in the right place at the right time? Or, that it was God's plan that things occurred as they did? That is the way I felt when I arrived at St. John's. They were in the midst of the Communion Service which was followed by a Blessing Service. In trying to share with you the scenario at that time, I will simply say that I was at peace and knew that the Holy Spirit was there. As I am a firm believer that some things were meant to be, I followed my mind and stayed.

Following the Service, we enjoyed lunch and a social period. The meditations were "Devices and Desires;" the Devices we use that keep God out of our lives and the Desires that compete with God. Those assembled shared experiences of times they has used devices to gain desires that were not just and when devices were used by others on them to attain desires that were not right. Scriptures supporting biblical means were read and different interpretations were expressed. I had never associated Devices and Desires in a spiritual manner. For me, this was truly a spiritual awakening and a cleansing experience; one that I will always remember.

My experience as your Vice-President has been a time of learning, of sharing, of travel, of visiting with some of you and really getting to know others. My responsibilities in my Parish, Deanery, other Diocesan programs, and in the Community have been a period of great growth. As I move on, I have two passages on Devices and Desires that I want to share with you: "There are many devices in a man's heart; nevertheless the counsel of the Lord, that shall stand..." (Proverbs 19:21). And, "One thing have I desired of the Lord, that I will seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord forever." God bless each of you.

For His Sake,  
Frances I. Clark

## JUNIOR DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

### JACKSON HOLE HAS THE FIRST JR. DOK CHAPTER IN THE DIOCESE

On March 15, 1992, St. John's Episcopal Church in Jackson Hole instituted the first chapter of Junior Daughters in the Diocese of Wyoming. Our very special guest was Cinde Pfisterer, National Chairman for Junior Daughters. Charter members are: Janelle Ramsay, Brianna Austin, Suzy Harrell, Jessica Infanger, Katie Scott, Amanda MacFarlane and Emily Infanger. We were doubly honored to have the first mother/daughter combination in the diocese. Pictured are Vicky MacFarlane and her daughter Amanda.

Both Junior and Senior Daughters hosted the participants in the "Famous Llama Trip," (see writeup this page) when they arrived from out of the state. Vicki Johnson is the Directress.



## ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGH CONFERENCE – JULY 18, 1992

The Rocky Mountain High Conference for the JUNIOR Daughters of the King was the brainstorm of Cinde Pfisterer (National Council Jr. DOK Chair) and her llamas. They reside in Riverton, Wyoming and know every inch of their high country. They decided to share their expertise and love of the Lord in this place with the Junior Daughters of the King. Cinde did all the work in planning and the llamas nodded their heads in impeccable wisdom and gracious acceptance.

The trip to Jackson with the Junior Daughters of the King and their Directress was outstanding. It had begun long before, during March, in Oklahoma, at the Province VII Assembly, Cinde Pfisterer talked about Junior Daughters and the llama trip into the Grand Teton Mountains of Wyoming. She explained to us what a great trip it was going to be and Doris Barr bragged about her wonderful girls. I volunteered transportation if need be. (It needed to be.) Later she wasn't sure how many could go but she finally called to say that two could go. I asked Kena Decker, my granddaughter to go with me, and later, Doris decided to go also. Everyone was delighted and delightful.

When the five of us were ready, we charted our course. We were excited for the whole journey and finally connected with Cinde at St. John's Church in Jackson, Wyoming. The Junior and Senior Chapters at St. John's had a picnic supper waiting for us at the church Saturday night, July 18. Everyone went to the 8:00 A.M. service Sunday morn with more introductions and best wishes from all. Kena and I waited in Jackson. Kena went on a white water raft trip down the Snake River, and later we went to the Tetons and Yellowstone Park.

The girls were in the mountains two days and nights with rain and HAIL. They came out and spent the remainder of the planned time in Riverton, Wyoming on the Indian reservation, took hikes and participated in alternate activities and had a grand time with Cinde for their leader. They were a small and close-knit group of juniors and seniors, with a ratio of one to one. There two priests and one nurse, plus Cinde, and several other Daughters of the King. We in Jackson were informed of the new development (the bad weather) and were told that for the closing service we would meet in a new place—the Episcopal Church of the Trans-

## JUNIOR DAUGHTERS OF THE KING cont.

### ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGH CONFERENCE cont.

figuration at Moose, Wyoming at High Noon on Saturday. We packed our bags, checked out, and drove to the Church of the Transfiguration. We arrived there early and the group was later than anticipated, but llamas and all finally arrived.

The church had a wedding scheduled for that time, so our closing service was moved over a bit, but still in view of the church. The majestic Tetons towered above us. They are such commanding mountains that I felt insignificant as I stood in the woods as the two priests conducted the service. The girls knew that this was the end of the trip and many were in tears. The day was breathtaking. The air was clean and clear; even the butterflies were brilliant. We could see moose signs but no moose, though we knew they could be watching us crazy humans. We could hear the people as they came out of the church making happy wedding sounds; as we ended with our closing service in the woods with moose tracks all around.

For each girl, the trip and the closing service was a memorable event. Crosses were given to all—even to me and Kena. These were small wooden crosses that came from the meeting of Bishops at Kanuga and are lovely. The girls were given T-shirts with the DOK cross and pictures of

the llamas on them. We gathered at the truck and trailer to take pictures before we parted for a year. Gary, Cinde's husband let two of the llamas out to be in the pictures. Everyone had cameras and wanted more pictures with the llamas. (Where are these pictures? — Editor)

All the way back to Albuquerque the girls shared stories of their week in Wyoming. Each llama had a name and they were very endearing animals. Emily and Carly could call each of the llamas by name and loved them. They knew which one was sweet, and which was stubborn. Cinde was a firm and great leader. Her daughter, Lauren, also went on the trip. They had extended an invitation to Kena to join them, and I had high hopes she would, but she didn't want to, and I was glad for their company. The entire trip was such a wonderful experience and so unique.

In the dioceses of Rio Grande, Junior Daughters of the King are not a year old yet, and come from different schools and different sections of Albuquerque. The Bible tells us: "Give thanks and rejoice in God." The girls did this as they gave love to the llamas and to each other. They were changed and growing girls. One of the older ones offered to help drive. We arrived home tired but joyful, bonded in love and friendship.

Submitted by Norma Echols, Province VII President

### FIRST JUNIOR DOK CHAPTER IN THE DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY INSTITUTED

A historic milestone was reached in the diocese of New Jersey on May 31, 1992 when its first Junior Daughters of the King Chapter was chartered at St. John's Church in Sommerville by its Rector, the Reverend David A. Stowe and Diocesan DOK President, Pamela Boette, who presented the charter.

Charter members Jamilyn and Jolene Mester and Elizabeth Foreman were presented to Fr. Stowe by their Directress, Elaine Smith, a member of DOK chapter, St. Genevieve. Fr. Stowe admitted the girls to the order and presented each with the silver cross symbolizing membership.

The ceremony was the culmination of a year of study and preparation for a life of prayer, service, and evangelism, and was followed by a luncheon honoring the new junior members and celebrating the anniversary of St. Genevieve Chapter. On the previous day the girls were honored during a special Youth Day at Trinity Cathedral in Trenton.

Other St. Genevieve Chapter activities include hosting the annual World Day of Prayer for Women in March, sponsoring a parish retreat in May, and sponsoring a parish Bible School in August. In September they attended the Province II meeting with Elizabeth Hart, DOK President

Submitted by Chapter President,  
Carol Morgan



Pictured above L-R Bottom Row: Marie LaVigne, Elizabeth Pritchard, Ameenah Pridgen. Center Row: Erin Neal, Abby Neal, Lauren Woody. Top Row: Suzanne Pritchard, Ali Smith, Miriam Smith

The Mary & Martha of Bethany — Jr. Daughters of the King chapter of All Saints Episcopal Church, Florence, SC, was instituted and members were admitted on December 1, 1991. The Directress is Arlene LaVigne and the officers installed are: President, Lauren Woody; Vice-Pres., Suzanne Pritchard; Secretary, Elizabeth Pritchard; and Treasurer, Marie LaVigne. There are two girls beginning their three month preparation period.



Front L-R: Jolene Mester, Elizabeth Foreman, Jamilyn Foreman. 2nd row L-R: Pam Boyette, Diocesan Pres., Elaine Smith, Jr. Dir. & Carole Morgan. The Rev. David A. Stowe is in the back.



## SPOTLIGHT ON PROVINCE VIII

NA KAIKAMAHINE O KE MO'I IESU (The Daughters of the King Jesus) Chapter was installed in the Diocese of Hawaii at St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church on May 17, 1992. Province VIII President, Kathleen Nyhuis presented the Charter to the President-elect, Joan Lennox. Fr. John Connell blessed and presented the silver crosses and admitted the five members of the new chapter.

The celebration service was shared by the Kaikamahine Aloha (Daughters of Love) chapter of St. Timothy's Episcopal Church. Our sisters at "St. Tim's" had prepared the women of "St. Barney's" for our institution. Also celebrated was St. John's 6th year anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood.

The new chapter has begun an active prayer at St. Barnabas', a small mission church. Five women, including the new officers and Loran Lubawski, and Ginger Bates, meet twice a month for prayer and study. We will begin a community evangelism program this fall.



Members of Kaikamahine Aloha Chapter (in white muu-muus) joined with the newly admitted members along with Kathy Nyhuis, 8th Province President, and Fr. John Carroll

### DIOCESE OF HAWAII, 8th Province

When 8th Province President, Kathy Nyhuis arrived in Honolulu August 10, 1992, she was met by members of Kaikamahine Aloha chapter. L-R are Kathleen Nyhuis, Nancy Millard, Judy Kaupp, Mary Ann Memminger, and Eloise Caldwell. Kaikamahine Aloha Chapter was first Chapter instituted in Diocese of Hawaii.



### NEW CHAPTER IN DIOCESE OF OLYMPIA

Evelyn Underhill Chapter of St. James, Kent was instituted on July 26th, 1992. President Jan McNair (left, first row) presented the Charter to The Rev. "Chip" Nix and Marcy Winters, the first president of the Chapter. Eight new members were admitted.



On May 17, 1992 Hawaii's SECOND Chapter, Na Kaikamahine O Ke Mo'i Iesu Chapter was instituted. From left to right are: Deb Convard, Secretary Treasurer; Sharon Nuernberg, V.P.; Kathy Nyhuis, Loan Lennox, President; Ginger Bates, Lorna Lubawski, and The Rev. John Connell, Vicar of St. Barnabas Church.



The Magnanimiter Crucem Sustine cake was presented by members of Kaikamahine Aloha Chapter.

**REMINDER:**  
Crosses are the  
property of  
The Order of the  
Daughters of the King.



## SPOTLIGHT ON PROVINCE VIII cont.

ST. BENEDICT'S CHAPTER, Olympia, on Sunday, August 9, received two new postulants and re-admitted Mary Fairchild who formerly belonged to a chapter now inactive. Officers were installed as well. The Rev. Bill Riker is Vicar.



From L-R, back row: Traci Schultz, Ruth Cowan and Michelle Elkins. Front row: Maria Wallis, Treasurer; Audrey Hinman, Vice President; Ellen Iverson, President; Gloria Weston-Smart, Postulant; Joan Sheldon, outgoing President, and Mary Fairchild. Absent were Vivienne Severtson, Lucy Reuter, Freda Alkins, Nancy Allaire, Jane King, Kathryn Peden, and Charlotte Dickinson, Postulant, who had to leave before the picture could be taken.

### *The Order of DOK is like a green and growing plant.*

HOLY SPIRIT CHAPTER of St. Ambrose Episcopal Church, Boulder, Colorado, admitted eight new members to their Chapter on Sunday, May 10, 1992. The women, having completed a twelve week training program, were received by The Rev. Gerry Snackenber. This brings the membership of Holy Spirit Chapter up to twenty-six Daughters!

The new Daughters are Beth Kinneavy, Ellen Hicknerness, Jane Cave, Jane Norton, Jeanie Balch, Linda Bombard, Melanie Moss and Shirlene Morris. Christy Hendricks and Amy Austin led them through their study program.



Holy Spirit Chapter, Boulder, Colorado



Eleven Charter members of the newly instituted Holy Apostles Chapter in Satellite Beach, Florida, were admitted on October 13, 1991. Their chaplain is The Rev. Lou Towson.

Holding the Charter is the Rev. Louis A. Towson. Left to right are Beverly Gallup; Susan Kunde, Secretary Treasurer; Pat Dooley, President; Agnes Wichmann, Vice President; Alice Bewerse, former Daughter-at-large, and our trainer, Mickie Solari; Patti Rose, National Council Member, and 2nd Vice President of the Diocese of Central Florida, Elizabeth Murray; Shirley Zorg, Diocesan First Vice President; Ginny Nordbusch; Linda Tillman, and Marjorie Emery. Not in the picture is Pat Ryan.

## STILL GROWING...

### NEW AFFILIATE CHAPTER

The fourth Affiliate Chapter in the Roman Catholic Church was instituted Sunday, July 12th, during the 1:45 Mass at the mission Church of St. Augustine of Canterbury, Fr. Thad B. Rudd, pastor. The Affiliate Charter was presented to Fr. Rudd by Laurie Ann Herman, 1st National Vice President, accompanied by Linda Patterson, National Office Administrator. Fr. Rudd also conducted the Service of Rededication during Mass, since all members of the new chapter are already Daughters of the King.

Due to the low number of Daughters in the small mission chapter, they have decided not to elect officers at this time, but Betty Richards agreed to act as liaison with the National Office, since she is file maintenance volunteer at the National Office.

This new chapter has one postulant almost ready for admittance. The chapter has started, as their first program, redoing the "12 Question Study Guide."



On May 3, 1992, three new members were installed in the St. John's Chapter, Jackson, Wyoming. They are Caroline Robertson, Ramona Roters and Geraldine (Dine) Dellenback. Our Chapter now has 8 members.

Elections were held in June as Vicki Johnson, President since September 1990, when the Chapter was founded, wished to relinquish her position.

New officers were installed on July 5, 1992 as follows:

President: Dine Dellenback  
Vice President: Vicky Macfarlane  
Secretary: Flicka Scott  
Treasurer: Rosemary Viets

Other members of the St. John's Chapter include Sally Johnson, wife of our Rector, the Rev. Franklin O. Johnson and Sara Lenz, who has moved to Salem, Oregon.

ON MAY 20, 1992 Grace Chapter of the DOK at Grace Church, Gainesville, GA installed six new members. This brings the membership in that Chapter to thirty-one.

The new daughters, shown at their ceremony of admittance are Peggy Peacock, Frances Walpole, Candy McCann, Grey Thomason, Priscilla Rankin, and Sandra Hester.

The Rev. Fred Jones and the Rev. Solace Freeman celebrated the Eucharist at the admittance of the new members.

### NEW CHAPTER AT ST. STEPHEN'S, NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA

On June 14, 1992 St. Theresa of Avila received their charter and nine members were admitted.

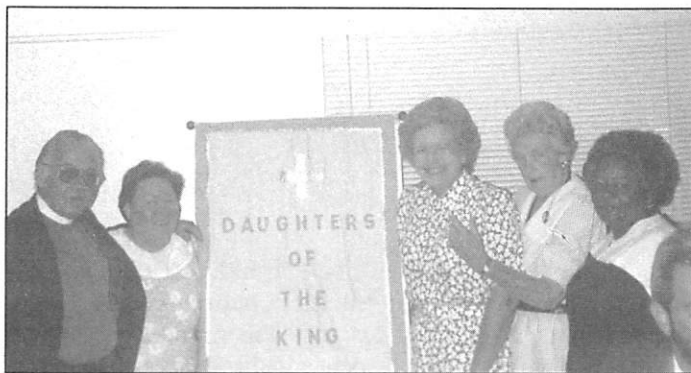


Seated, L-R are Marsha Engle, Sec'y; Joyce Tissiere, Treas.; Lenora Wells; Susan Kolling, V.P. Standing: Shirley Bradford; Kathy Zinskie, Pres.; Stephanie Wiggins, Provincial Pres.; Pat Reagon and R.J. Bragg, Diocesan Pres. Absent is Joy Beatty.

## HAPPENINGS

**BISHOP EDSALL CHAPTER, CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, AUSTIN, MINNESOTA** celebrated the 77th anniversary of their chapter which was instituted June 7, 1915. It was named for The Rt. Rev. Samuel Cook Edsall, bishop of Minnesota in 1901. Members of the chapter had a corporate Eucharist May 31, 1992, and enjoyed a brunch afterward. One of the present members was installed more than fifty years ago.

**Front row:** Mary Huber, Anita Ulwelling, The Rev. Doug Bachmann, Helen Johnson, Dawn Bachmann.  
**Back row:** Agatha Nelson, Ruth Sampson, Pat Corporon, Peg Frederick. Unavailable for the picture was Catherine Fitzgerald.



**ST. MARGARET QUEEN OF SCOTLAND CHAPTER**, responds to the parish for its service activities. We contributed a box of fruit to Habitat Workers, and served breakfast to the Bishop and Vestry during Bishop Varley's visit. Two new member, Otis Owens and Joyce Charron were admitted during the Bishop's visitation.

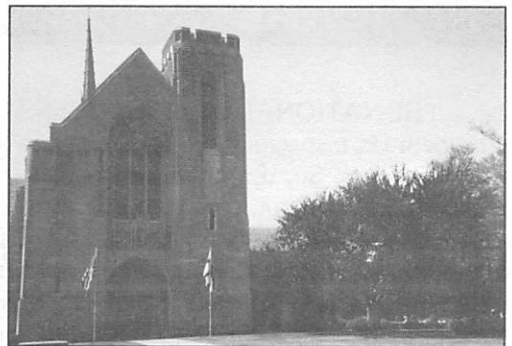
**L-R:** Bishop Varley, Reta Neils, Elizabeth Otto, Harriett Legg, and Otis Owens.

**ST. THERESA OF AVILA CHAPTER** at St. Stephen's in Aurora, Colorado installed four new Daughters on 26 April this year. They are:

**Front L-R:** Marjorie Matthews, Marlene Ahl, Debra Brown, and Mary Mack. Other members present were, front right: Margaret Wilson; Back: Maxine Keup, Elizabeth Starkey, Andree Hinkle, Lea Moncier, Neysa Ellgren, Sandy Bahr, Dorothy Cowan, and Mary Cella.



**PROVINCE V Assembly** gathered May 15th-17th on a perfect spring weekend at Christ Church, Grosse Pointe, Michigan. Seventy-five of us worshipped, sang, laughed, listened, prayed, and blew bubbles, as we shared our life together. St. Monica's Chapter at Christ Church rolled out the red carpet. Their gift of hospitality has given us all something to live up to. We were fortunate in having Elizabeth Hart, Laurie Ann Herman, Ruth Hammersmith, and Sue Schlanbusch from DOK National Council—and they all shared. The Rev. Margaret Neill's teaching on prayer was so power filled, we are still talking about it; and her. Last and not least, we admitted eight new Daughters to St. Monica Chapter. God is so GOOD!



## EVANGELISM – Sue Schlanbusch

*(Sue wrote this on the eve of her departure for her trip west in July. Response to her announcement that she would be available to west coast churches to speak to the subject of evangelism was overwhelming. During that six weeks she has met and shared the Christ in others in many different chapters and dioceses.)*

Some of you have written and inquired about the new video and audio cassette library I've been working on. When you receive this issue, I expect to have the beginning library function. I want to draw your attention to Dr. Edwin Orr's tape on the history and development of Prayer in the Christian Church. It is evident to Elizabeth Hart and me that our first vow, that of prayer, is what our Lord seems to be calling us to, as Daughters, at this time. He is moving us into a highly visible leadership role in the Church, in matters of prayer. That says to me that we need to be diligent in our study of prayer; that we must continue to deepen our growth and experience in our personal as well as our corporate prayer lives. Dr. Orr offers insight laced with a sense of humor. He gives us a glimpse of how our Lord has interacted over the years with his children, as they struggle ever onward on their pilgrim journey.

I ask you to review your Rule of Life, especially in the area of prayer. A new year in the life of the church begins soon. If we are to reach out to evangelize, to work for the spread of Christ's kingdom, we must renew the well within, which can be done only by discipline in our prayer life. Make this Advent 1992 a special time of organized moments of prayer as you prepare to greet the Christ child ... For His Sake.

## SELF-DENIAL - Roseanne Camp

Roseanne Camp, Self Denial Chairman, attended the Global Mission's Conference held in Indianapolis, June 24-28, 1992. At this conference she was happy to learn that all the missionary sending agencies in the Episcopal Church, including the National Church, are now in accord. The National Church office now designates its missionary sending office as "Partnerships Unit." This has been done to reflect the reality that our church leaders and the leaders of countries who welcome missionaries need to work together as partners in order to spread the Gospel. The concept of Partnerships, as opposed to Missions implies that the sending agency can learn from the receiving country as well as the reverse. The new head of the Partnership Unit is The Rev. Ricardo Potter. He presides over the mission activity in Latin America. The Partnership Unit is unable to fulfill all the requests for missionaries that they receive due to lack of money.

The next issue of **THE ROYAL CROSS** will have information from Roseanne about all of the work our Self Denial Fund money is doing **FOR HIS SAKE**.

## NATIONAL OFFICE MOVES AGAIN!

**THE NATIONAL OFFICE MOVES AGAIN!** It was easier than everyone anticipated. With assistance from President Elizabeth Hart, spacious and attractive new quarters were found for our OFFICE. It's closer to Linda's house than the old office was. So, if you are near Atlanta, stop by Suite 108, 909 Cobb Parkway NE, Marietta, GA, but if you are MAILING something, send it to P.O. Box 2196, Marietta GA 30061-2196. The new telephone no. is (404) 419-8580. Fax # is (404) 419-0686. OTHER GOOD NEWS is that we have gotten significant new SOFTWARE for the computer and a wizard programmer and have a system that will give us the kind of service we always wanted but never had. LINDA says that GROWTH is UNPRECEDENTED! So we're improving our computer capability "just in time" – God's timing is ALWAYS perfect! Look in the next issue for promised pictures of new office staff and the office.



## DEVOTIONS - Ruth Smith

*For His Sake:*

*I am but one:*

*Do I know what I am one of?  
Do I know that I am important and needed?  
When did I realize that I am part of the Body of Christ?*

*But I am one:*

*I am one voice, one vote, one body present.  
I am a witness. What kind of witness am I?  
Must I always have to have it my way?*

*I cannot do everything:*

*Do I know I have limitations?  
Do I wear myself out in service, by trying to do everything?  
Do I balance my life, my responsibilities?  
Do I allow others the chance to take responsibility in order that they might grow in self-confidence and service?*

*But I can do something:*

*Do I always sit back and wait for others to take charge or do things?*

*What I can do:*

*Have I realistically evaluated my time, talents, and treasures:  
Do I know what I am capable of doing?  
Do I have false humility because I am afraid to risk?*

*I ought to do:*

*Am I a procrastinator?  
Do I constantly tell myself that I ought to do things, and lay a guilt trip on myself?*

*What I ought to do, by the Grace of God, I will do.*

*Do I give God the credit?  
Do I ask His help, knowing I can do all things through Him Who strengthens me?  
Am I aware that it is through God's Grace that I have the privilege of knowing Him?  
Do I will to do God's will?*

*Lord:*

*Is Jesus the Lord of my life:*

*What will you have me to do?*

*Am I seeking God's guidance in all matters?  
Do I wait upon the Lord?  
Do I listen for his answer?  
Am I obedient?*

*Jacque Crosby, St. Clare Chapter, Tallahassee, Florida*

*Oh, Lord how wonderful  
you are!*

*When I feel low  
you pick me up;  
When there are tears  
you show me hope.*

*You are the Light and Strength  
and Hope of my Life!*

*For His Sake,*

*Elizabeth J. Starkey, St. Stephen's Church, Aurora, Colorado*

## ON WISDOM

**Hold fast to instruction, never let her go,  
keep her forever for she is your life.**

Proverbs 4:13

Webster's defines wisdom as "the quality of being wise; the faculty to discern right and truth and to judge or act accordingly; sound judgment; sagacity; discretion; common sense; extensive knowledge."

We are in a time in history which the Episcopal Church has elected to call the Decade of Evangelism. As members of the Church, the Body of Christ, we are called to bring Christ to both the church and the unchurched, empowered by the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

As I begin to reflect, pray, and read about wisdom, I immediately thought about the third gift of the Holy Ghost ... wisdom! We pray daily in the Prayer of the Order, "pour out upon us the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit ..."

What is the Holy Spirit's gift of wisdom to a Christian? It is that light which is given to enable the soul both to behold and know God. Wisdom is a gift of the heart, of our insatiable yearning for that peace of God which surpasses all things. This yearning and quest for a deeper knowledge and intimacy with Jesus is the foundation of wisdom as we strive to understand our calling to be just heirs with Christ in God's kingdom. The gift of wisdom reveals to us the mysteries of heavenly things.

Wisdom is a gift from the Holy Spirit and not the mere intellectual understanding we cling to in our minds. As we pray the Prayer of the Order, let us ask for that wisdom "... which is pure, peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy." James 3:17.

Lord, I ask for the anointing to know what is right and true, to walk accordingly in Your ways, and to bring the peace and knowledge of You, through true wisdom, to all I meet.

Mary Ann Alley, Diocese of West Tennessee

*We are but Vessels - for YOUR BODY  
We are but Mouths - for YOUR WORDS  
We are but Voices - for YOUR PRAISES  
We are but Candles - for YOUR LIGHT  
We are but Hope - for YOUR LOVE  
We are but Instruments - for YOUR PEACE  
We are but Hearts - for YOUR JOY*

*For His Sake,*

*Kathleen Cummings, DOK, St. John Chrysostom  
Chapter, Golden, Colorado*

## POETRY BY US

### ADVENT

by Joan Sheldon

*Advent comes quietly.  
Between the feasting on turkey  
And the riotous pottatch of Christmas,  
Advent comes silently;  
Like the first winter snow  
that falls in the night.*

*The purple color of penitence  
Competes with:  
the reds and greens  
the gold and silver tinsel  
"Rudolph, the Red-nosed Reindeer."  
Wassail bowls bring bright eyes and  
tragedies in icy ditches.  
And, somehow, under the raucous cacophony  
of Salvation Army bells and the  
insistent salesmanship of bright,  
sincere, and wheedling hucksters,  
Can be heard, ever so faintly:  
"O Come, O Come Emmanuel."*

*It was the same, then, too.  
Roman legions marched gloriously,  
And royal houses lived riotously, mid  
intrigues, power plots, and conniving.  
As a lonely couple made their painful way —  
He afoot, and she on a humble donkey,  
To a place that had no room.*

### *This poem is dedicated to* THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

by Marjorie Wicks  
(Charter Member of St. Mary Magdalene Chapter,  
Clermont, FL)

*In our Father's House are many sisters to love.  
Our Father is wondrous for He is God above.  
We gather at His table and He hears us as we pray.  
He inspires us with His Wisdom and His words we must obey.  
Our love glows with every blessing that we share.  
We're all one in Him with the silver crosses that we wear.  
We pray for healing and for those who are sick.  
It never matters if they're poor or they're rich.  
We pray for guidance and for special concerns;  
Our prayers go out for everyone.  
We pray for those who sorrow and for those who despair;  
We pray for all people every where.  
As we pray for each other and His praises we sing,  
We are all blessed to be The Daughters of the King.*

### SERVANTHOOD

By Irma Daleen, St. Clare Chapter, Tallahassee, Florida

*Once I saw this woman gently holding  
and rocking a sad young man, who was  
looking at her with pleading eyes, too  
frail to speak, and with tears in her eyes  
she was praying silently as he was slowly  
and without recourse — dying of AIDS.*

*It was you I saw — crying love.*

*Once I heard about a family with  
six children, — the father had lost his job,  
but he was too proud to ask for help. He  
had sold his car, still there was no more  
food in the house. They had to choose  
between paying the rent or paying for  
food. You left food at their door quietly.*

*I saw you — bringing the food.*

*Once I went to a nursing home and saw the  
elderly sitting in a room, some of them  
looking inside and very sad, but then I  
heard a voice starting to sing hymns of  
praise and they were lifted up by the sound  
and remembered their joy in the Lord.  
Praise welled from deep within and they  
began to sign of God's grace again.*

*And I recognized you — singing with them.*

*Once I knew of a mother, separated, alone  
with her two sons — her safety gone. There  
was no more hope of good tomorrows in  
her eyes — or in her children's souls. They  
had lost their way, did not know what to  
do. You helped them survive, found her a  
job and her children a safe place to stay  
during the day.*

*And I saw them looking at you — with love.*

*Once someone read a poem that a  
prisoner on Death Row had written about  
a person I knew — about the first time the  
prisoner had ever experienced caring  
from anyone, just before he was ready to  
die. He found Jesus and believed in Him  
because one person cared.*

*That person was you.*

*And once, when I listened to God, I  
heard Him speak in a quiet voice: "You  
are my eyes to see the sadness of this  
world. You are my hands to do what you  
can. I have no one but you to make a  
difference in some way. Open your heart  
and listen how you can be my servant  
today."*

*You and I  
together  
with Christ.*

**ORDER FORM FOR COMMUNICATIONS CONNECTION, INC.**

Please use this form for ordering literature.

ALL orders for literature should be sent to: Communications Connection, Inc. Please use this form for ordering. Allow six weeks for delivery of all orders. Send CHECK or MONEY ORDER for cost of items, including postage and handling (SEE POSTAGE CHART BOTTOM RIGHT) to:

Communications Connection, Inc.  
P.O. Box 1899  
Ashland, KY 41105-1899  
Telephone: (606) 329-2499

How Many	LITERATURE FOR SENIORS/JUNIORS	Price	Total
	-2-Color-Information-Brochure-	In Revision	Back Order
	Resource Packet	15.00 ea.	
	Promotional/Informational Packet	4.50 doz.	
	Twelve-Question Study Program (leader's manual)	6.00 ea.	
	Ministry of Visitation Brochure	40 ea.; 4.80 doz.	
	To the Episcopal Priest (New brochure)	2.50 doz.	
	Prayer of Sympathy Card	30 ea.; 3.00 doz.	
	Thinking of You in Prayer Card	30 ea.; 3.00 doz.	
	"Conversations With a Friend"	.15 ea.; 1.75 doz.	
	Request for Prayer Cards	2.50 per 50; 5.00 per 100	
	Prayer Cards: <input type="checkbox"/> Chalice/ <input type="checkbox"/> Cross	25 for 2.50	
	Bookmarks <input type="checkbox"/> Motto <input type="checkbox"/> Vision Statement	.05 ea.; .50 doz.	
	Logo Sheets (to reproduce design locally)	5.00 ea.	
	2-color All Occasion cards/env.	10 for 4.00	
	Stationery 8-1/2x11 w/Logo	100 sheets 16.00	
	Business Envelopes w/Logo	100 for 16.00	
	Stationery 5-1/2x8-1/2 w/Logo	100 sheets 8.00	
	#5-1/2 Envelopes w/Logo	100 for 12.00	
	Informal Notes & Env.	pkg. of 10, 2.00	
	Note Card/Envelopes w/Cross	50 for 18.00	
	Postcards w/Logo	50 for 5.00	
	Notepads w/Logo	50 sheets for 2.95	
	<b>NEW LITERATURE/IMPRINTED ITEMS</b>		
	RESOURCE UPDATE Packet (24 pgs.)	2.50 ea.	
	DOK BIRTHDAY Cards w/envelopes	3.00 doz.	
	SILVER STAMPED Cross on sil. bordered notes w/env.	7.00 doz.	
	BLUE LEATHER bookmark w/ sil.-stamped Cross	2.75 ea.	
	TOTE BAG, 14x18, blue handles/logo, white bag	9.00 ea.	
	<b>DOK SPECIAL ITEMS</b>		
	Blue Tablet Folder w/Logo, 5-1/2x8-1/2	5.50 ea.	
	Napkins w/Logo (4-1/2" x 4-1/2")	25 for 2.50	
	Ceramic Coffee Mug w/Logo,	6.00 ea.	
	Ball Point Pen with cross	1.00 ea.	
	Decals	.50 ea.	
	Seals	2.50 per 100	
	Send list of other items available, including Jr. Literature		
	TOTAL		
	(See table at right) POSTAGE & HANDLING		
	AMOUNT ENCLOSED		

**Blue Christmas  
Ornaments with DOK  
logo in white  
\$5.00 plus shipping**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**ORDER FORM FOR NATIONAL OFFICE**

Please use this form for ordering supplies.

ALL orders for supplies should be sent to the National Office. Please use this form for ordering. Allow six weeks for delivery of all orders. Send CHECK or MONEY ORDER for cost of items, including postage and handling (see chart below) to:

**THE ORDER OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING, INC.**  
P.O. Box 2196  
Marietta, GA 30061-2196

How Many	Item	Price each	Total
	<b>A. FEES</b>		
	<b>Seniors:</b>		
	NEW MEMBER Registration (includes dues and postage)		\$35.00
	Includes Cross size of your choice		
	Applications for membership <u>must</u> be included.		
	<b>Juniors:</b>		
	NEW MEMBER Registration	15.00	
	(includes cross, 1st years dues, postage)		
	Total for A.		
	<b>B. REPLACEMENT CROSSES (includes postage and handling)</b>		
	Senior Cross (Small)	20.00	
	Senior Cross (Large)	30.00	
	Junior Cross	15.00	
	Cross Safety Guard (postage included) Lg. <input type="checkbox"/> Sm. <input type="checkbox"/>	1.00	
	Total for B.		
	<b>C. SUPPLIES (add postage and handling)</b>		
	Senior Handbook <input type="checkbox"/> Punched <input type="checkbox"/> Stapled	1.00	
	Junior Handbook <input type="checkbox"/> Punched <input type="checkbox"/> Stapled	1.00	
	Centennial History Book	6.00	
	Video: "An Evening with Elizabeth & Pat" (includes P&H)	11.00	
	Subtotal		
	Postage and Handling (see chart below)	+	
	Total for C.	+	
	<b>D. ROYAL CROSS gift subscription</b>		
	(include name and address)	per year 3.00	
	Total for D.		
	Total of A, B, C and D		

**NEW MEMBER KITS are to be ordered by Chapter or Diocesan Officers ONLY**  
with new member application form.

Please send to:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Province \_\_\_\_\_ Diocese \_\_\_\_\_ Church Name \_\_\_\_\_

On all literature and supplies ADD for postage and handling, as follows: POSTAGE/HANDLING CHART - Avoid delay by including postage and handling charges with orders. These small charges represent only part of total costs. We pay the rest. MINIMUM ORDER \$2.

Orders to \$5.00.....	\$2.50	Orders from 13.01 to 15.00.....	4.55
Orders from 5.01 to 7.00.....	3.55	Orders from 15.01 to 17.00.....	4.80
Orders from 7.01 to 9.00.....	3.80	Orders from 17.01 to 19.00.....	5.05
Orders from 9.01 to 11.00.....	4.10	Orders from 19.01 to 25.00.....	5.55
Orders from 11.01 to 13.00.....	4.30	Orders over \$25.00.....	6.50

ALL CROSSES belong to the Order.

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**December 1 - for Winter issue**

**June 1 – for Summer issue**

**March 1 – for Spring issue**

**Sept. 1 – for Fall issue**

**Change of address and failure to receive *The Royal Cross*  
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**P.O. Box 2196  
Marietta GA 30061-2196**

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