



Congregation of the Humility of Mary

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Sisters of Humility Celebrate and Brainstorm

Davenport, Iowa – July 1, 2009 – The Congregation of the Humility of Mary (CHM) held their annual general assembly from June 25-28, 2009 at the Steeplegate Inn in Davenport, Iowa.

More than 100 CHM Sisters and Associates (men and women who participate in the spirit and work of the Congregation of the Humility of Mary) were in attendance coming from Iowa, California, Montana, Washington, Mississippi, Kentucky, Colorado, Illinois, Georgia, Pennsylvania, Minnesota, Kansas, Virginia, Texas, Wisconsin and Mexico.

The community gathering offers an opportunity for friendship, celebration and the continued exploration of the CHM priorities for 2008-2012 which include:

- To expand and extend our mission by inviting and welcoming new members.
- To promote non-violence as a way of life to bring about justice for all persons and creation.
- To foster understanding and appreciation to enable new cultures to evolve.

Major celebrations during the weekend included a Welcoming Rite for nine new CHM Associates, presentation of the CHM Peace and Justice Award to Sandy Walters, co-director of Humility of Mary Housing, Inc., and a Jubilee Mass honoring Sisters Jude Fitzpatrick, Rae Elwood and Kayleen Heffron for their 50 years of service. At a missioning service on Sunday, members renewed their commitment to the CHM mission of caring for the poor and powerless, and for the earth itself. Visit www.chmiowa.org to find out more about the mission of the Congregation of the Humility of Mary and various forms of association open to all.

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