

ASSOCIATES ON THE BUS 2022 ROAD TRIP



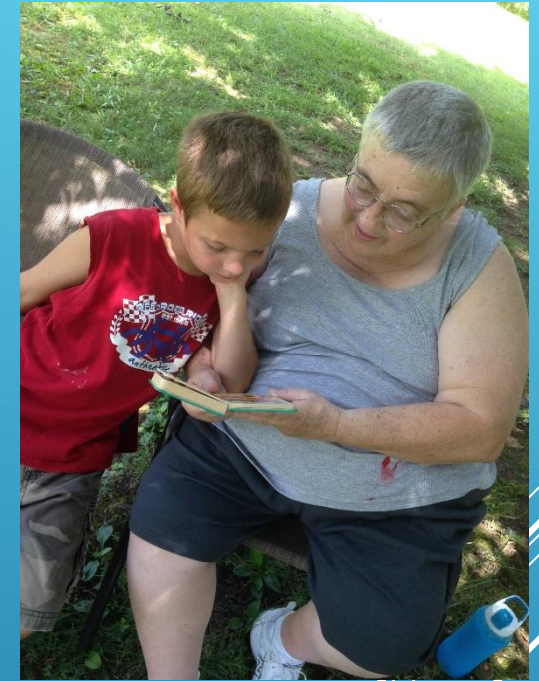
ASSOCIATE IDENTITY STATEMENT

Dubuque Presentation associates are women and men called to share in the life, spirituality and mission of the Dubuque Presentation Sisters. Grounded in prayer, we support and encourage one another as we seek to embody the Presentation charism of radical hospitality both individually and communally. In the spirit of Nano Nagle, we reach out with hospitality and compassion as we seek justice and respond to the needs of the world.



WHAT IS PART OF YOUR CURRENT WORK THAT IS AN INVITATION FOR THE NEXT FIVE YEARS?

- ▶ Associate groups
- ▶ Associates supporting the Presentation mission:
 - ▶ Associate Scholarship
 - ▶ Associate Gathering at Community Days
 - ▶ Service opportunities
 - ▶ Education and formation of justice issues
 - ▶ Prayer and celebrations
- ▶ Acknowledging that we don't all live the charism/mission in the same way
- ▶ More opportunities for **SERVICE** "I really feel like I'm walking in Nano's footsteps if I'm doing service work."



ASSOCIATE BUS TRIP SONG

- ▶ Going on a bus trip... (hands on steering wheel)
- ▶ Going on a bus trip...
- ▶ Taking with me... (hands out to those next to you)
- ▶ Taking with me...
- ▶ My sisters and my brothers... (thumbs up to right and left)
- ▶ My sisters and my brothers...
- ▶ To help with humanity... (hands over heart and then open up)
- ▶ To help with humanity...



WHAT IS NEEDED TO ADDRESS THE EMERGING DESIRE OF THE CONGREGATION?

- ▶ I still have confusion about the calendar year. Clarify various gatherings and events.
- ▶ Our connections with sisters are so important.
- ▶ Use the slow drip method of giving associates information all the time. It's hard to keep all the information straight.
- ▶ The future of associates might be more autonomous or self-driven as sister numbers diminish, but still connected.



WHAT IS NEEDED TO ADDRESS THE EMERGING DESIRE OF THE CONGREGATION?

- ▶ More ownership and leadership from associates themselves.
- ▶ Continue deep faith sharing among sisters and associates.
- ▶ How can associate leadership be integrated into leadership structure? Meet weekly/monthly with Leadership Team?

