



Called & Gifted for the Third Millennium

We know this document can be intimidating or overwhelming to read. We invite you to give yourself some time to sit with it, reflect on it, and pray with it to see how the Call to Holiness, the Call to Community, the Call to Mission and Ministry, and the Call to Christian Maturity are working in your life.

The Welcome Meeting:

The importance of introducing the document at the Welcome Meeting is simply to show the connection between the *Personal Journal* and our faith. The *Personal Journal* helps us grow personally and spiritually in order to prepare us to be open to our Baptismal calls to holiness, community, mission and ministry, and Christian maturity.

- * This is the time to hand out the *Called & Gifted for the Third Millennium* Packet and insert the page that highlights a paragraph from each section of the document.

The First Session:

It is helpful to re-introduce the document in the first session, briefly explaining again that the journal is rooted in the theology of this document.

- * You will then read from the first session paragraph at a point in the session you find appropriate and fitting.

Each of Sessions 2 through 6:

From the insert page, read the paragraph for that session in a place during the session you find most appropriate.

Session 7:

Session 7, *Discernment of Gifts*, is in the *Personal Journal* and the prayer rituals are in the *Facilitator Guide*. The most important concepts to convey in explaining the value and importance of *Called & Gifted* are:

- *Ministry of Mothers Sharing* is based on the Four Calls to holiness, community, mission & ministry, and Christian maturity.
- These calls are universal. We are each called by birth.
- As Christians, we believe our Baptism is an acknowledgement toward this fulfillment.
- As we journey through life, each experience offers a deeper understanding of how the calls guide our journey of faith.

Ministry of Mothers Sharing
An outreach ministry of the Sisters of St. Benedict of St. Paul's Monastery

