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The Mission is Jesus

We are challenged to pass from the idea of a mission linked to the teaching of catechesis, to the contagious faith, to audacity, and to the profound joy of a disciple who reveals the true sense of the mission as revealing Christ through our own poverty and fragility.

(Capitular Acts 2019 p. 27)

1. I begin my prayer asking my benevolent God for the grace of awe and wonder in discovering the seeds of the Gospel sown by Him in the hearts of people and the diligence to nurture the seeds.
2. I prayerfully read the Gospel according to Luke 4: 16-21.

*¹⁸ "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,
¹⁹ and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord."*

- The passage speaks of Jesus' mission and it speaks to me of the Good News sown in my heart and the mission to proclaim it to others.
 - How am I being moved interiorly by the Holy Spirit and challenged to respond?
3. As a Sister of St. Paul of Chartres, I share in the apostolic mission of the Church (BL 50). I reflect on the article of Capitular Acts p. 27:
 - Live the mission, by loving Christ and putting Him at the center of our lives to radiate the joy of our encounter with Him.
 - Adopt a new perspective of mission which supposes a process of conversion, self-emptying and an awareness of one's poverty to discover and nurture the Seed of the Word hidden in persons.
 - Enter into the movement of the Spirit letting ourselves be evangelized. This calls for a change of mentality, "being" rather than "doing" and for entering into a dialogue of life with others in an attitude of openness and humility and to listen with the heart to stories of human frailty.

To what calls for conversion am I being called to respond so that I can openly welcome this new perspective of mission, “being” rather than “doing,” and for entering into a dialogue of life with others?

I consider these questions and talk about them with the Lord.

4. I end my prayer thanking the Lord for his loving trust in me, sending me to mission and His benevolence in placing me in the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Paul of Chartres so I may be able to better respond to His call for mission.
5. **Points for Sharing:** I share a significant prayer experience on any of the points above. As a community what concrete ways can we adopt in order to respond to this missionary challenge?