

## OUR EMERGING VISION

1. In our emerging vision of religious life, our deep spirituality of the Open Heart of Christ permeates all dimensions of life.
2. We see ourselves as a community of women following Jesus
3. rooted in the local culture, open to the global.  
Our local contexts mark and challenge us, while at the same time our experiences of interculturality shape us as communities, provinces, regions...
4. We regard the present moment as a grace:  
seeing that we are decreasing in number, and increasing in age  
having fewer vocations, yet having more and more persons join the big family of the Sacred Heart  
aware that our financial resources are also diminishing .... more closely approximating the reality of most people in our countries  
  
we desire
  - to simplify our life
  - to live closer to the poor and the excluded
  - to collaborate in reciprocal relationships with our lay colleagues and other religious congregations.
5. The questions we ask ourselves come from a common context: community as central, culture as reference, and reciprocity as the way.
6. How can we be good news, respond to the needs of our world, take our part in building the Kingdom?
7. How do we develop structures that are flexible and feminine?  
How do we increase our capacities to work together in our networked society?  
How will the new generation be engaged in envisioning our future?
8. Do we see ourselves as women reformulating the vows...?  
Or is the question: How do we want to follow Jesus in the world today?
9. Beyond mere visibility, we want to be seen corporately  
Extending our capacities to love and be loved, among ourselves in community, as well as in our ministries... We need to love each other more!
10. working towards a more just world, integrating our various ministries
11. women claiming our voice in the Church
12. attentive to: living the educational dimension

promoting the integrity of creation  
seeking peace and justice and human rights

13. nourished by a serious life of prayer  
encountering Jesus  
taking the means to ensure our spiritual growth  
sure of the power of the Spirit working in us.

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