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Share the Word: Service

Madame Chair:

The restructuring of the Catholic Women's League of Canada promotes service as an integral part of our organization. Following Christ's teachings through the Gospels, the CWL emphasizes the importance of linking faith with service

Pope Francis, in a 2016 homily, stressed that "When faith is interwoven with service, the heart... expands in the process of doing good," as we are "not called to serve only now and again, but to live in serving. Service is thus a way of life."

CWL's Core Purpose is uniting Catholic women to grow in faith, and to promote social justice through service to the church, Canada and the world.

As Regional Chair, a person serves as part of the Diocesan Executive, and provides a vital link between that council and each parish council of her region. She refers members to the many resources provided by all levels on their websites and forwards National Directives, Provincial Communiqués and Diocesan memos, providing opportunities for members to compassionately serve by performing works of mercy, through actions, words or prayer. She chairs her own region's executive and general meetings, spring and fall, and attends regional events.

A Regional Chair recommends opportunities for members to grow in their faith and in their ability to compassionately serve the vulnerable. Sharing her own knowledge as a Past Presidents a gift that she might be surprised to discover. The most rewarding part of the role of Regional Chair is the people one meets. Working with fellow faith-filled, dedicated women of the CWL makes it easier to serve, and to be grateful to God for the many blessings He bestows upon us.

Mother Teresa reminded us, "the fruit of love is service." Faith-filled members of the Catholic Women's League are Catholic and Living It! God bless you all for what you do, serving God and Canada. My report can be found on page 33 of the Annual Report book.

This concludes my report.