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Last weekend, our community of Presentation Sisters, had our Fall Meetings, usually the **last** ones with the whole community before our winter weather sets in. The meetings were very fruitful, and done in a very reflective way. It was so nice to be able to see so many of our Sisters again. Of course, our community is decreasing in numbers, but we seem to be growing in love of God and each other. That seemed to be so evident to me.

One of the closing songs that we sang toward the end of our meeting was “With One Voice” by Ricky Manalo. It seemed to me to be the Spirit’s call for all of us to go forth from these meetings *taking the Word of God with us wherever we go*. Nearly every line of the song seemed to me to be God calling us forth. I tend to think that as people who share our space here at Presentation, **you** breathe in the air of the Holy Spirit, and you, too, are called to take God’s *Word to your neighborhoods and streets*. You do this by loving and caring for everyone you meet.

I hope that these words will, also, impel you to want to do the same.

With One Voice

*Take the Word and go out to every land: shine the light of Christ for all to see!
May the lives of those we touch sing praise to God above. Let us sing, we’ll sing:*

*Ref: With one voice we’ll pass the Word along; with one voice bring justice to the world.
And with all the angels we’ll spread the goodness of God.
With all power and glory the Word of God shall reign.*

*Take the Word to our neighborhoods and streets: shine the light of Christ for all to see!
Make we all set out to live in peace and harmony. They will see and sing: (Ref.)*

*Take the Word to the people in despair; shine the light of Christ for all to see!
May our actions and our deeds bring comfort to their needs. And they’ll know and sing: (Ref.)*

*Take the Word to the nations everywhere; shine the light of Christ for all to see!
May the witness of our lives transform the world anew. And we’ll shine, we’ll shine: (Ref.)*

(by Ricky Manalo,CSP)

God bless you!

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