

## Lighting the Way - January 24, 2023

Greetings to all of you! We are starting to move toward the end of January. Last week, I should have done a "Lighting the Way" message to you, but the beginning of the school year came upon us quicker than I expected. Then we also got the sad news that Presentation College would be closing its doors at the end of this Spring Semester. It has been a sad time for all of us at Presentation – faculty, students, and staff. Please keep all of us at Presentation in your prayers. Everyone will need to plan for the future, so keep them all in your prayers.

I, myself, am a Presentation Sister. I had worked for Presentation College when I was working out at Eagle Butte, SD. I had been invited to work out there in a volunteer position at first, then I taught there later. I loved my experience there. I moved here to Aberdeen a few years later, and then shortly after that they closed the Eagle Butte Campus. There have been several "bumps" in the road on the various campus sites. I'm sure that the people who have worked at those various campus sites would have their own experiences to share – Fairmont Campus, and the Eagle Butte Campus, and now Presentation College in Aberdeen, SD.

One of the things that has given me trust in the future is a poem that I remember learning some time ago. This is the poem –

"When Mary was a little girl about the age of three She worked and play and prayed each day just like you and me. And Mary though a little girl, God's special love had won. He made her queen of heaven and earth, and the mother of His Son."

I trust in God's goodness and love. You will all be in my love and prayers, and we will ask for God's care for everyone involved.

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