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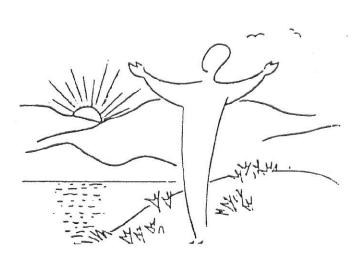
I LIFT MY EYES TO THE MOUNTAINS. Ps. 121 AND I WILL BE
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MY PEOPLE

## S.L.S.M. Associates



Christians
continuing Christ's mission in
today's world, of proclaiming
God's love together with the
members of the Society of
Our Lady Saint Mary
through their charism of love,
joy, simplicity,
and service to others
may become Associates
of the

Society of Our Lady Saint Mary



#### WHAT IS AN ASSOCIATE?

- one who journeys with another
- one who shares dreams and hopes

#### WHO MIGHT BECOME ONE?

 men and women who feel drawn to a deeper living out of gospel values with special emphasis on the gospel call to Christ's love through the ministry of hospitality and service to others.

#### WHAT IS INVOLVED?

- a willingness to learn about S.L.S.M., its mission and its charism
- a continuation of one's own life style
- a willingness to grow personally spiritually and communally

# WHY MIGHT ONE WANT TO BE AN ASSOCIATE?

- to deepen one's relationship with God.
- to deepen one's commitment to the wider church and/or civic communities
- to experience the mutual support of a faith community.
- to participate in opportunities for personal growth and sharing of gifts.

The life and works of the Society are directed to a single end:

"...to love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength and to love your neighbour as yourself."

Mark 12:30

### BASIS OF THE PROGRAM FOR S.L.S.M. ASSOCIATES

a candidate must believe in:

- a) the Gospel call to holiness
- b) the call of all Christians to be evangelizers
- the complimentarity of all expressions of Christian vocation and the call to service
- The S.L.S.M. Associate program is seen as an extension of the mission and charism of the members of the Society of Our Lady Saint Mary
- persons who are potential S.L.S.M. Associates must have a desire to share in the spirit and spirituality of members of the Society of Our Lady Saint Mary.