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**"Called To Serve"**

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Madame Chair,

To say that the 2 years of serving as CWL Peel Region Chair have been a challenge is an understatement.

I am blessed to have said Yes to that call. The consequence was a profound journey in experiencing faith in God and faith in humanity through the works of CWL. I would be 24 years a member of St. Francis Xavier in Mississauga. I was comfortable in that safe niche until I stepped into the bigger world of the Peel Region.

The bigger world meant establishing new relationships at 20 parish Councils, one of which will hopefully be reactivated soon. Visiting the Councils opened my eyes to the success celebrated and challenges encountered by CWL sisters working in different parishes.

These are the working members balancing their time between family and CWL. These are the grandmothers who untiringly have given many years to the League.

The volunteer hours given by members are testimonies of faith and service to God and our communities. We are in the church as ushers, money counters and sacristans. We are in all Ministries. We raise funds for the church and nonprofit organizations. We give scholarships, encourage and recognize the talents of the youth. We take care of our priests and deacons and support seminarians.

Name it; the CWL is strong and resilient. At times, we disagree but agree that the goal is to strengthen our faith to develop loving relationships that translate to service.

Inspired with the good things you are doing, I will continue my CWL journey with the prayer: Here I am Lord, send me!

My written report can be found on page 34 of the 2023 Annual Report Book.