

LONGING FOR GOD'S MERCY

*We Sisters of Mercy of Australia
and Papua New Guinea
find ourselves in a new moment,
yearning to relate with a new heart
to God, to each other and to all of creation.
This directs us to look with new eyes,
imagining new possibilities for
communion and mission
charged with God's mercy.
Our fidelity to this new consciousness
demands personal and communal conversion.
It impels us to respond
with hearts centred in God,
as we live the gospel
in a world longing for God's mercy. (Const. 3.32)*



Therefore

- ~ we will be attentive to the ongoing revelation of the Divine throughout the universe; (Const. 2.02; 5.07)
- ~ we will engage wholeheartedly in the dynamic of conversion - individually and together; (Const. 7.01;7.02)
- ~ we will foster relationships among ourselves which continue to enliven and enrich our Mercy sisterhood in our diversity; (Const. 1.02; 2.0; 5.12.-5.14)
- ~ we will develop flexible structures to facilitate true communion of life, mutual responsibility and accountability; (Const 5.14; 6.04)
- ~ we will continue to respond with gospel justice to local and global concerns, while being ever alert to new possibilities for ministry; (Const. 1.03; 1.06; 4.01 - 4.09)
- ~ we will take public stance on matters of justice, peace, and sustainability; (Const. 4.04; 4.08)
- ~ we will strengthen our capacity for partnerships for the sake of mission and encourage vibrant collegiality with women and men who are fired by the inspiration of Catherine McAuley; (Const. Chapter 4)
- ~ we will enhance the effectiveness of our ministries through co-ordination and innovative practice; (Const. 4.09)
- ~ we will call forth leaders to nurture unity and collaboration among ourselves; (Const. 6.02; 6.08; 6.09)
- ~ we affirm our identity as ecclesial women; entrusted with the charism to be prophetic, we desire to model relationships in our church which are life-giving for all. (Const. 3.02; 3.11; 4.04; 7.09)

*We recognise that choosing anew
'this principal path marked out by Jesus Christ'
will disturb us.
Such is the real cost of radical discipleship.*

PAINIM MARIMARI BILONG GOD

*Mipela Mersi Sista bilong Australia
na Papua New Guinea,
luksave long mipela yet long dispela niupela taim nau.
Mipela painim niupela spirit long toktok wantaim God,
na wantaim wanpela na narapela, na wantaim olgeta
samting God i wokim.*

*Dispela i soim mipela long lukluk wantaim niupela ai,
driman long niupela wei, long bung wantaim na mekim
wok bilong God,*

wantaim marimari bilong Em.

*Long stap tru long dispela niupela tingting,
mipela i mas lukluk gen*

*long wei bilong mipela wanwan, na olgeta wantaim,
long kamap niupela.*

*Dispela tingting i mekim mipela i pas tru wantaim God,
taim mipela i bihainim Gutnius,*

long kain ples wei,

olgeta i painim tru marimari bilong God.



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*Mipela luksave taim mipela bihainim gen long niupela wei,
nambawan rot Jisas i makim long mipela,
em bai i no isi.*

Tasol, dispela em i prais long bihainim Jisas olsem tru tru disaipel.