

## JUBILEE!

Hello, from the Medical Mission Sisters and Associates! You're receiving this email from us simply because we appreciate you as a consistent supporter and partner in mission.

Our intention is to regularly share news from the world of MMS that you will find inspiring and valuable. We hope that you, as a supporter of MMS, feel engaged and kept up to date with all that we are doing.

Jubilee is the celebration of a Sister's first commitment to religious life in a community. We are celebrating three major milestones this year: Sister Carol Francis who is celebrating 60 years, Sister Pat Lowery who is also celebrating 60 years, and Sister Yumiko Nobue who is celebrating 25 years. Below is some information on our three Sisters.

## **Carol Francis**

Diamond Jubilee



Sister Carol made her first vows in August of 1962. She received her B.S. in medical record administration and business administration from St. Louis University. She worked as an administrator in Holy Family Hospital in Karachi, Pakistan for five years and then graduated from Temple University with a B.A. She went on to do graphic design work for Dell Publishing Company. In 1991 she moved to the Bronx, NY, to serve in a healing ministry, providing education for tenants and shareholder in lowincome cooperatives. Sister Carol is currently living in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

## Pat Lowery

Diamond Jubilee



From the age of 12 Sister Pat knew she wanted be a doctor, as well feeling the call to religious life. She made her first vows in August of 1962. Sister Pat earned her B.A. in Chemistry from the College of Notre Dame in California and earned her M.D. from Georgetown University School of Medicine. Afterward she served as a surgical intern, resident, and acting director of the surgical ICU at St. Vincent's Hospital and Medical Center in New York. Sister Pat then moved to Ghana where she served as a surgeon at the Sunyani Regional Hospital. Later on she was in mission in the Navajo Nation reservation in Arizona, as Chief of Surgical Services at the Fort Defiance Indian Hospital, which served about 30,000 people. She is living at our Fox Chase campus in Philadelphia.

## Yumiko Nobue



Sister Yumiko was born in Tokyo, Japan, and raised in the Buddhist/Shintoist tradition. She became a Christian at the age of 18. She was studying nursing at Catholic University of America, where she met Sr. Gertrude Ayerle and learned about the Medical Mission Sisters. She made her first vows in 1997. Sr. Yumiko was missioned to our holistic health center in Pune, India where she shared her expertise in acupuncture, acupressure, massage and herbal medicine. In 2007 she moved to North East India and after three years she returned to Japan to care for family. Since then she has dedicated her time and energy to creating a vital network of connections between MMS and Japanese contacts, returning often to North East India where she had fallen in love with the people and culture. Sr. Yumiko has authored two books: "Moving Cloud Flowing Water" and "Weaving of Spirit: A Journey into North East India."

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