



Sister Ellen Kuhl (Formerly Sister St. Paul) – 60 Years

Sister Ellen Kuhl, formerly Sister St. Paul, has been serving in the Sisters of Saint Joseph mission in Brazil for 50 years. “After eight years as a teacher in parochial schools of the diocese (Geneva, Rochester and Auburn), I responded to the call for consecrated religious to serve in Latin America, becoming part of the SSJ Brazil Mission in 1973,” says Sister Ellen. “There I ministered as a pastoral agent among the people in small rural communities as well as outlying regions of two large cities. Our Congregation began accepting new Brazilian members in 1983; Sister Mary Anne Turner and I opened the first SSJ Novitiate community in 1984 in Goiânia, Goiás. Another ministry caught my interest in 2003; I trained and became a massage and craniosacral therapist, instructor of infant massage and doula, all of which still claims my passion to serve.

“Looking forward after 60 years as an SSJ in both Rochester and Brazil, I gratefully realize that God is always present, calling each of us to be present wherever we are and whatever we do.”