

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT -

Associates in Action

By Gloria Doino

Vickie Nagle – Associate member, spiritual director of 25 years, poet and published author is an inspiration to all those who know her. She came to A.C.T. through Fr. Jim Wheeler, having worked with him for seven years at his Center for Prayer. She is a cancer survivor who has accepted the blessings of illness and learned to live with the limitations. On a recent interview she summarized her experience with her illness. “The Lord takes me to a deeper place each time and there are so many more lessons yet to be learned.” Her book “A Time of Grace” highlights what she has learned through poetry and ‘one page’ reflections, which are independent of one another allowing the reader to pick and choose among the 70 selections. The book offers comfort, strength, healing, inspiration and encouragement for the all. Her mission is to place a book in as many doctors’ offices, Cancer Treatment Centers and health care facilities as possible. “To live in your healing”, says Vickie, “is to live out of Gods’ strength within you. It is to live in the present moment.” Take a moment now to order a copy (\$11.95 plus postage \$1.42) for yourself, a friend or a center near you. You won’t be disappointed. It engenders hope in the hearts of all. Vickie Nagle, 358-B Woodbridge Drive, Ridge, N.Y., 11961. Make checks payable to VICKIE NAGLE.

(A sampling of her poetry)

HEAL ME, LORD

I am persistent, never giving up
always believing
God is healing me each moment

living this way keeps me open
and sensitive
to God's gentle movement within me

it is when my being is still, even in the midst
of doing what is before me

that I can see how God is at work in me

each moment
offers me the opportunity
to cooperate with God's work in my soul

in each moment I say - yes, Lord
please continue to heal me
where I am in need

heal me, Lord
that You may heal my husband
and our marriage

heal me, Lord
that You may heal
our family

heal me, Lord
that You may heal
our friends

heal me, Lord
that You may heal
the world

amen

Voice of My Spirit

I sit and mourn
so much of my life

is gone

too much to think about

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the above words help me see
that life passes by

too quickly

I see I'm to spend some time each day

pondering the places of blessing

of my day

as I do

I see I'm absorbing

only goodness and grace

this makes me feel good

I see I am a blessing for myself

I am being healed

Lord help me remember

to be a blessing for myself

each and every day

amen

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A Monstrance

Jesus, You ask each of us

to be a monstrance

so all may see clearly
that You are in residence

and it is You who is the
center of our life

amen

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PRAYER

prayer unites me
with my Creator in spirit
it unites me with my true self
it helps me
become all I can be

prayer gives me time
to bless myself with grace
and become one
with who I really am

help me Lord
to remember
to pray

amen

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before the Blessed Sacrament