Let go and let God take over and not think that I could do it myself

I attended St. Mary Church and grade school adjacent to our farm. I loved daily Mass and the many scheduled devotions. At 16, I felt called to follow Jesus in a special way. Eventually, I felt called to become a Sister, Servant of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

I liked the idea of consecration; there was a call for a close walk with Jesus and the Holy Spirit. The most glorious day for me was the taking of the vows, which was a deep consecration to God and God's total acceptance of me. Consequently, everything that I



did and everywhere I went was in that atmosphere of friendship with God, who always helped me through the difficult times and was there during the celebrations.

> *I'm only human; I'm just a woman. Help me believe In all I could be And all that I am.

Days of training, service and prayer, developed all I could be (one day at a time).

> Show me the stairway I have to climb. Lord for my sake, Teach me to take One day at a time.



Years of education to become a teacher, graduating from Marygrove and Wayne State. After 45 years in classroom teaching, I was called to be a guardian (caregiver to a family member and the elderly in their homes).

Service in the nursing home; trained to be a chaplain in the hospital.

> One day at a time, Sweet Jesus – that's all I'm asking of you. Just give me the strength to do every day what I have to do.

You were there walking with me, through all these years – one day at a time.

There were many happy times, celebrating birthdays, anniversaries, Jubilees (for me 25, 50, 60, 70, 75, 80 and now 85). A life so swiftly lived.

> Yesterday's gone, Sweet Jesus, and tomorrow may never be mine. Lord help me today, show me the way, One day at a time.



*"One Day at a Time," by Marijohn Wilkin and Kris Kristofferson. Retrieved May 13, 2019, from hymnlyrics.org.