For those who have been faithful, O Lord,
Life is not ended, but merely changed.

August 10, 1986

Dear Sisters and Associates,

> "I wait for Yahweh, my soul waits for him,
> I rely on his promise, my soul relies on the Lord."
> Psalm 130

Sister Emerentia Azman learned the mystery of waiting many times over these past 78 years. As a baker she knew that yeast dough could not be rushed. It needs time to rise. If rushed, the bread fails. So she also learned to wait for the Lord. When she came to Our Lady of Angels in March of 1983, many believed that the Lord would be coming for her soon, and now after three years of waiting, Sister Emerentia received the promise of the Lord when He came for her on Friday, August 8, at 11:45 p.m.

Sister Emerentia was born on October 8, 1907 to John and Mary Azman. She was christened Mary Stella on October 20 in St. Joseph's Church, Leadville, Colorado. Sister Emerentia entered the Congregation on January 19, 1930 as a member of St. Joseph's Church, Joliet.

As a young sister she showed promise of being a fine cook and baker and was asked to serve in domestic work for her sisters in Ohio and Illinois. Many of these years were spent at Sacred Heart, Englewood, where she endeared herself to the parishioners and Sisters. She enjoyed her work and considered it to be essential for community living. As she stated on a survey in 1971, "The sisters tell me I keep their bodies and souls together." On another survey she wrote, "I am willing to give the service I can give at this stage of life."

In 1976 realizing that she could no longer give this service to her sisters full-time, Sister Emerentia returned to the Motherhouse to provide part-time service in the bakery. Even at this part-time position, she still gave her dedicated service to her sisters. She knew the sisters loved home-made bread so she would spend hours in the bakery waiting for her yeast dough to rise so that she could get the bread baked for the evening meal. At Christmas time she knew the sisters would enjoy cookies for their coffee break during the holidays, so the aroma of freshly baked cookies would permeate the Motherhouse during the days preceding the holidays.

We rejoice that the Lord has kept his promise to our sister. While we will miss her smiling presence and hearty laugh, we know that her long wait is over. We offer our sympathy to her sisters, Dorothy, Rosemary and Ann and to her brothers, Edward and William. We ask God to comfort them with the realization that she has received the inheritance awaiting her.

Sincerely,

The Governing Board

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614 SISTER M. EMERENTIA AZMAN (MARY)

Born: October 8, 1907

Parents: John and Mary (Levotik) Azman

Postulancy: January 19, 1930

Novitiate: August 12, 1930

First Profession: August 12, 1932

Final Profession: August 12, 1935

Died: Friday, August 8, 1986 at 11:45 p.m. at Our Lady of Angels Retirement Home

Ministry:

1932 - 1934	Corpus Christi, Columbus, OH, Domestic Work
1934 - 1938	Immaculate Conception, Toledo, OH, Domestic Work
1938 - 1939	St. Francis Convent, Joliet, IL, Domestic Work
1939 - 1940	St. Raymond, Joliet, IL, Domestic Work
1940 - 1941	St. Mary Magdalene, Columbus, OH, Domestic Work
1941 - 1950	Corpus Christi, Columbus, OH, Domestic Work
1950 - 1951	St. Joseph, Joliet, IL, Domestic Work
1951 - 1959	Sacred Heart, Englewood, IL, Domestic Work
1959 - 1960	St. Peter, Mansfield, OH, Domestic Work
1960 - 1961	College of St. Francis, Joliet, IL, Bakery
1961 - 1962	St. Clement, Chicago, IL, Domestic Work
1962 - 1964	St. Mary, Columbus, OH, Domestic Work
1964 - 1976	Sacred Heart, Englewood, IL Food Service
1976 - 1980	St. Francis Convent, Joliet, IL, Baker
1980 - 1983	St. Francis Convent, Joliet, IL, Retired
1983 - 1986	Our Lady of Angels, Joliet, IL, Retired

Wake: Sunday, August 10, 1986 from 2 - 7 p.m. with prayer service at 4:15 p.m.

Mass of Christian Burial: Sunday, August 10, 1986 at 7 p.m.

Burial: Monday, August 11, 1986 from OLA at 9 a.m. to Resurrection Cemetery, Romeoville

Survived by sisters: Dorothy, Rosemary, and Ann; and brothers: Edward and William