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I first heard about WVIS from a good friend who annually made Almost Heaven Retreats in West Virginia. During the summer of 2006, I chose to come to St. John XXIII for a retreat. During that very profound spiritual experience I began to discern a call to Spiritual Direction. As I was about to finish a ministry in education, I was given the opportunity for the next year and a half to live at WVIS and participate in the Spiritual Direction Training Program.

The program was for me a dynamic learning and reflective experience. It helped me sort out my continuing desire to serve in ministry and to deepen my own spiritual life. The experience of participating has made a significant difference in my prayer life as well as my ministry.

I am privileged to have served on the board for the past six years. I am involved in assisting with the finances as well as consulting, as all board members do. Helping to provide planning and future projects together is life-giving to me. I am enthusiastic about the tremendous growth of our programs and the increase of wonderful people with whom we share ministry. WVIS is a holy place; serving in some aspects of the development of the programs and the satellites has been a true gift for me.