## HUNGARY

Our visitation in Hungary began in early October and ended on the 23<sup>rd</sup>, the day the new republic was announced. This change influences the lives of our sisters in community and ministry.

During these 40 years of suppression our sisters (along with 3 communities of men religious) were allowed by the government to operate 2 secondary schools for girls. They were forbidden any other ministry possibility. Now there are many opportunities and several invitations to begin kindergartens, elementary schools and parish work.

In addition to limiting our ministry, the government allowed only 32 sisters to live in each of the two communities; the others had to live alone and to find their own employment. During the past 40 years these sisters remained faithful to their call often in difficult circumstances. Now a return to (residential) community is possible.

The challenges facing the province are great, the resources limited but these daughters of Blessed Theresa believe that the opportunities of this time hold God's transforming power for them.

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