

## 50 years of blessing!



Jean Roy, 2004

By Jean Roy

*French-speaking North American coordinator*

Yes, I have returned to service as North American Coordinator. At the end of 2017, I realized that for me, it was important to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Faith and Sharing, which brought me so much! So, I'm back... And it's a pleasure for me to team up with Marc Rioux, Isabelle Frappier, and now Claire Donovan.



**Faith and  
Sharing 50<sup>th</sup>  
1968 – 2018**

This 50<sup>th</sup> will not be celebrated by a big gathering. The North American committee will support the "decentralized" activities brought by local communities and individuals, in simplicity. Here are some activities that make their way: French speaking groups are preparing for "twinning" visits. English speaking groups will consider a common prayer time, three groups having their retreats at the same time in August. It was suggested that greeting cards be sent between communities. All activities are posted on the web page: <https://faithandsharing.net/the50th.html>

In 2018, the two issues of the Heart-to-Heart newsletter address the theme of the 50<sup>th</sup>. This April newsletter recalls the beginnings of each community or region. It is good to see many of the "elders" recount their memories. For the October newsletter, the theme will be: "*The Fruits of Faith and Sharing*". An invitation is made to all members of Faith and Sharing, old or new. Everyone can express what Faith and Sharing brings or has brought them, what it has changed in their lives, and express their gratitude.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this newsletter, thank you to everyone involved in the activities. May our hearts give thanks for the blessings that Faith and Sharing, inspired by the Spirit, have given in these 50 years! 💜



Sherbrooke, 2011 : Raymond Duquette, Jean Roy, Jaqueline Noël, Lise Morin, Denise and Gilles Croteau, Jean Beloin