**Shalom Focus and Commitments**

**2018-2020**

The Triune God impels us into the heart of the world to be women of peace, hope, and love. In the spirit of Blessed M. Theresa and Mother M. Caroline, we, the members of the *Shalom* International Network, guided by *You Are Sent, Love Gives Everything*, and Catholic Social Teaching, commit to:

**Educate**
- We will continue to study Catholic Social Teaching, in particular *Laudato Si’*

**Advocate**
- We will promote efforts to strengthen just structures, and change unjust structures.

**Act**
- We will promote our centers of prayer for peace and find ways to broaden participation in prayer for peace.
- We will foster the living and witness of reconciling love in community and today’s global world.

**In collaboration with others**
- We will strengthen our networking within *Shalom* and the UN/NGO office.
- We will collaborate with others working for peace, justice and integrity of creation locally, nationally, and internationally.
- We will continue to celebrate UN International Days and Church days related to *Shalom*.

**For the dignity of life**
- We will develop attitudes and skills necessary for intercultural living.
- We will work for human rights, especially among migrants, refugees, and all who are discriminated against in our societies.

**And the care of all creation**
- We will make lifestyle choices that promote integral ecology.
- We will make decisions that counteract climate change in ways that are appropriate for our local environment and encourage legislation that will help our ailing planet.