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To whom it may concern,

I give my warmest recommendation, support and encouragement to a new ministry I have recently discovered called **St. Therese's Vision for Disability Giftedness**.
<http://www.theresesdisabilitygiftedness.com/>

This ministry provides an opportunity for individuals with disabilities and mental health challenges to express how Christ is working in their lives and through their various ministries. Through education, this new ministry seeks to aid the Church towards becoming more inclusive. *It embraces the Little Way of St. Therese of Lisieux, and, through the apostolate the Lord has entrusted to George Ayer its founder, it invites people with disabilities and other challenges to have a refuge in the Church. This ministry encourages teachers of the New Evangelization to reach out to today's broken world reminding us that, as Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI states in his inaugural Mass, "each person is willed, loved and necessary".* *Amended May 31, 2020*

Our Savior entrusted this mission to the entire Church: to help others discover His desire to meet and love them, even in their brokenness. St. Therese's Vision provides a means of outreach in the spirit of the New Evangelization strongly called for by St. John Paul II. Indeed, when people struggle with issues like loneliness, anxiety, depression and sadness, they need to know that rejection can be countered by a sense of renewed hope and that they are not alone in the challenges they face. This ministry is meant to be a source of this hope and with God's grace, touch the lives of many.

I am happy to give it my blessing and recommend it be made known to people around you.

Sincerely,

+Marcel Damphousse
Bishop of Sault Ste. Marie