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Dear Friend,

As summer has passed, almost, some of us have to get back on track, in case summer activities brought things a bit out of focus. The question is still one of discernment, I hope.

So to put it simply and directly: discernment is a striving toward discovering the will of God in my life. It is an ongoing process and a continuous search for the direction of our way to true happiness.

This month we celebrate a great saint who spent his life in this search to become the close companion to the ever present God. And for John God is not the one who watches and observes our every misstep and even punishes our failures. On the contrary, God is the gentle lover, and his love is never idle, says St. John, “joyfully and festively it practices the arts and games of love.”

Our response to that love can only be a willingness to enter into that game and surrender to it. God loves our womanly beauty, endowed with strength and struggling with weaknesses; God loves our womanly presence, our willingness to sacrifice and to endure, our capacity to celebrate life and to nurture it; God loves us for carrying God’s Word in our hearts, our minds and on our lips. God loves to reveal Love through us.

We are women disciples; and we are seeking to become it more and more. God’s will for us is this: that the Holy Spirit transform us from inside out while teaching us God’s “game of love.”

This will be my last letter to you. Sr. Elwira will be writing to you from now on. I wish to encourage you very much to respond to her letters and enter into conversation with her. We

are in this venture together, staying united in prayer and love.

With Blessings of PEACE,

Sr. Agathe Bramkamp, SSpS