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With God all things are possible. That is what was confirmed again and again through my experience of going through the Called and Gifted process with our leadership small group. I have learned that we are not meant to be alone, and that God will bring people and friendships together that will support and encourage each other in our daily faith journey when we trust in His plan.

The biggest thing that stands out to me is the tremendous excitement from each of us. - It was contagious! Each time we meet and share our prayers, our discernments, our experiences of practicing a charism, and even our questions about charisms, it is uplifting and powerful! God is working!

I have been reminded to be patient and open to the possibilities in the present moment. Our lives easily get busy and become our responsibilities and choices which can falsely give us the feeling that we are in control. I have learned to be more open in prayer by admitting to God that I do not know what to do but, I know He does!

I am amazed to know that everyone is given a charism as a gift that is needed to be given away to someone else. And, by doing so, we are filled with joy! I truly believe that when each of us discovers and uses our God given charisms, the joy we receive will bless us all to live fuller and happier lives. I have seen God's goodness and can trust that He is in control even when He is calling me to something I tend to fear or do not understand. God loves us and wants what is good for us even more than we do! We just have to be open, allowing the Holy Spirit to work through us.