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Her ministry has included justice education & advocacy in formal classroom teaching on both the high school and university levels, parish coordinator in the Archdiocesan Social Action Office of Cincinnati, founder & coordinator of Cincinnati's Intercommunity Justice & Peace Center, social concerns director of the Leadership Conference of Women Religious in Washington D.C. and coordinator of the Sisters of Charity Office of Peace, Justice & Integrity of Creation.

Academically Louise has an MA in Theology. Her master's thesis focused on the "Prophecy of Martin L. King, Jr." She completed her Doctor of Ministry with a project entitled "Patriarchal Power and the Pauperization of Women".

Her desire to guide and motivate others is fueled by a strong determination to promote equality for all. To seek justice where fairness is absent.

A World of Experience

Initiated U.S. led tours of *Economic Cooperative* based on *Catholic Social Teaching* (**Mondragon, Spain**)

Honored Guest, International Conference on Women vs. Fundamentalism (**Paris, France**)

U.S. Religious Delegation on Anniversary of Murder of Four Church Women (**El Salvador**)

Developed Immersion Experiences: **U.S. /Mexico Border; Inner City Cincinnati**

Listened and learned from the people of Nsange village (**Malawi, Africa**)

Keynote Speaker: International Christian Peace Conference (**Torgau, East Germany**); National Call to Action Conference, "*Everyone Welcome at the Table*;" National Conference for Catechetical Leaders, "*Diversity: Challenge, Call and Gift*;" **CTA workshop leader**, "*The Vision & Voice of Martin L. King, Jr. in Today's World*;" "*Primacy of Conscience*", Catholic Network for Women's Equality (CNWE), **Sudbury, Ontario**

Panelist, National Press Club, "Women and Fundamentalism", Women's Freedom Forum, CSpan, **Washington DC.**, (Islamic & Christian)

Reinstated U.N. Status for **Leadership Conference of Women Religious** and helped **Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati** obtain U.N. NGO Status

Written articles in National publications: **NETWORK, National Conference for Catechetical Leadership, Leadership Conference of Women Religious, Intercom (Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati), Future Church, Catholic Network for Women's Equality - Canada**

Developed Educational Packets and Power Points on Racism, Women in Poverty, Immigration and Congo

World Views Shaping A New Paradigm



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WHAT IS A PARADIGM SHIFT?

Think of a Paradigm Shift as a change from one way of thinking to another. It's a revolution, a transformation, a sort of metamorphosis. It does not just happen, but rather it is driven by agents of change.

When these "paradigms" change, we have a paradigm shift. Such shifts represent a change in the "rules we live by." Knowing that the shift is occurring and in what direction is a very useful piece of information!

Specifically, this shift can result in institutional change and influence the roles and relationships of women and men regarding race, class, gender and religion.

A mental model that shapes everything you think, feel, and do.
– Brent & Largent. *The Paradigm Conspiracy*

"To look at our paradigm is to look at the blueprint we're using to build our world."
–Brent & Largent, p. 5



PREPARING THOUGHTS OF CHANGE

From delivering, powerful, motivational keynote presentations to participating in international conferences and offering experiential based education, Louise Akers, SC is available for bookings on request:

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Workshop Provider
Facilitator**



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IN HER WORDS

"As citizens in an increasing pluralistic and polarized country, I believe we are challenged to create more effective approaches to wrestle with critical and complex issues. Creative responses require taking new paths, participating in diverse coalitions, relinquishing traditional institutions and building new structures that will engender growth and reverence for life. This assumes openness and ongoing conversion ~ surely not an easy task but a necessary one."

- Louise Akers, SC., D. Min

IN THEIR WORDS

"Sister Louise exemplifies the highest order of people whose professed beliefs (creeds) match seamlessly their actions (deeds) in the pursuit of peace and justice for all, and women in particular." (Enduring Spirit Award)

Muse Cincinnati's Women's Choir 2012

In November, 2012, **State Representative Denise Driehaus**, presented Louise with a formal recognition of being one of Ohio's most valued citizens.

"You have provided a vital service to the community and have established a record of achievement that will stand as a hallmark for others to emulate."