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"Wherever you go, I will go; wherever you live, I will live. Your people will be my people, and your God will be my God" These are the words of Ruth to her mother in law when Naomi decided to leave Moab and move back to Bethlehem in Judah, Ruth decided to come with her. Ruth is a woman inspired by the spirit who can continue to be an inspiration for us. The message of Ruth is filled with God inspired hope. Ruth and Naomi, both widowed, trusted in God on their travels. We trust as women of the Catholic Women's League in the guidance of the provincial and national leadership. In my role as Communication chairperson, I help promote the use of the Canadian League Magazine as a resource, for our work in the league. It is through the League magazine that our national executive provides us with articles with new ideas, spiritual resources and a path for advocacy and action. We use media in many ways to promote the league. Don't forget World Communications Day, which is the first Sunday in June.

The issue for real people in real life is, "Can I trust and love the God who has dealt me this painful hand in life?" The book of Ruth shows the love of God for all. Even though she was a foreigner, God shows his love for her and she was an important link in the lineage of Jesus as she was the grandmother to King David. Just as God cared for Ruth and Naomi, we also are called to help the vulnerable. Don't forget the vulnerable victims of pornography. Please support the Postcard campaign for Pornography Hurts. Just as Ruth followed the harvesters to collect the small grains of wheat to help feed herself and her mother in law, we should persist one postcard and letter to politicians at a time. We need to persist in our objections to pornography in all its forms. Ruth's story is one of bravery, trust, respect for family and obedience and through her example we continue our work in the Catholic Women's League. If we live in the light---just as he is in the light---then we have fellowship with one another,