“Kaleidoscope of the Little Design”

A blend of light and ready hearts
Imagination captured
Love made manifest in the Little Design
God’s pleading heard by a small group of women
Be love! Be joy! Be gentle presence!

A vocation so sublime
Mystical union
Love poured out
Spirit at work
Movements of grace
Love known in ready hearts given to God
Presence in the Little Design

A reflection of light
A movement of grace
Gifts given!
A broken world in need of healing and compassion
In poverty, deprivation, destitution
Love finds the way
The truth is realized:
God present in it all
Precisely in the need!
Shifting light reflects the image
Divide the City!
Listen! See! Together respond to ills!
The face of God revealed
In the weak, the vulnerable, in every human face

Then, an unsettling turn
Darkest night –
Revolution!
Love under siege
Arrested, imprisoned, suppressed
Life threatened and lost
One stands alone in the darkness

With faintest sleight of hand
The alteration of life’s schemes and all its scopes
A new beginning across the sea
All with a turn of the kaleidoscope

Generation after generation
A shift of reality and circumstance
New beauty, new grace in response to the Mission
The amazing Little Design adapts
Alert to the next place for Love’s revelation
The cry for unity and reconciliation

A kaleidoscope turns
New patterns emerge
Nothing is lost.

The color and reflection of today’s Little Design
Fashioned anew in our times
Generous hearts awake to the needs of a new society
The Wonder of the Little Design

~ Jane DeLisle, CSJ, November 2010 ~