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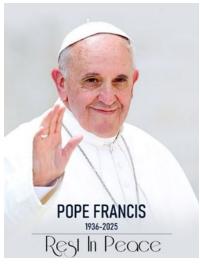


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Dear Sisters and Friends

Easter blessings to each one of you! As we celebrate the joy and hope of the Risen Lord on this Easter Monday, we are saddened by the unexpected news of the death of our Holy Father Pope Francis. Our joyful, celebrative mood soon turned into a sense of great loss and grief for this noble soul, who served the Church and humanity with the heart of a true shepherd. May Pope Francis rest in God's eternal peace and may his legacy of life and mission live on...

The last message of Pope Francis on Easter Sunday was one of Peace and reconciliation, giving hope to those who live in hopeless situations. He mentioned all the countries in war and conflict, praying for the suffering people. He prayed especially for the people of Myanmar, where our Sisters are in mission for over a hundred years; a country now torn by civil war and recently suffering from the aftermath of a terrible earthquake.



Sister Margaret Maung and I visited Myanmar a few days before the earthquake and had already seen the struggles and sufferings of people. It was heartbreaking, again to see the pain and loss brought about by the terrible earthquake. The RNDMs are out in the affected area, volunteering to support the victims of this great disaster through aids, listening to the people's pain and loss of family members, and pastoral care. Most people are living on the streets, being afraid of the after shocks. There is much to be done...

We are deeply grateful to all the provinces and friends who came forward to support the earthquake victims. Great are their needs and many are suffering without shelter, medicine, food and other basic necessities. We continue to seek your support to be in solidarity with our less fortunate brothers and sisters of our world. Thank You and God bless you!



### PROVIDING QUALITY MEDICAL SERVICES - Kenya

Kariakomo Health Centre continues to offer the best services to the people living in this area of Meru Diocese. The activity of the centre is helping to improve the health of the community and support those who are not able to access medical support and other facilities. In time, the center has experienced challenges due to the lack of adequate equipment and updated machines but it was always committed to offer curative services, immunization and antenatal care for mothers.



This year, we were blessed to receive donations from many benefactors through different provinces of the congregation which allowed us to provide a better service, thanks to the updated machines and equipment. With the lab reagents, the lab technician is able to conduct full hemorrhage tests and help the patients understand their ailment. The lab also has an outside compartment where the lab tests are conducted for further analysis thus avoiding risk of contamination as well as ensuring security of lab equipment. The purchase of H. pylori kit has also helped patients manage Helicobacter pylori infections thus preventing complications and improving overall digestive health.



There has been good feedback from the clients on the availability of affordable medications and quality service. The financial support enabled us to purchase pharmaceuticals, Lab reagents, examination couch, baby weighing scale (digital kinlee). We were also able to build a proper

drainage at staff quarters and pay sister's stipend as well

as staff's salaries. We have also managed to buy a computer to enable safe keeping of health and financial records.

Thanks to the donations received we were able to improve the staff residence where they now have proper bathrooms and toilets as well as a reliable drainage. The positive outcome of this donation will be reflected in the quality services, increased number of clients, staff motivation and health records safety.

We extend our gratitude to all the donors and benefactors of the different Provinces for their support and commitment to improving the health and livelihood of the people.



Sr Annunciata RNDM

## Gandhiji Memorial Health Centre, India North East

We are grateful for the support received for the Gandhiji Memorial Health Centre that was beneficial to 330 patients who came for medical treatment.

The patients were given medicines, vitamins and nutritious drinks like Horlick'plus and Bournvita. Realizing that health is wealth, we witnessed the improvement of our clients. We can also see the improvement in the physical stamina among the formerly anemic patients. As a result, they could do some manual tasks to increase their meagre income for their livelihood. Our regular check-ups and medications have enhanced our yeomen service.



As the climate of Marbisu area is extremely cold, poor people need warm clothing. The support



received enabled us to purchase warm clothing and blankets, which are highly appreciated . Besides paying the doctors' fees, we were still able to save some amount for the children's toys. The children of very poor families who had never seen or possessed toys were thrilled to receive varieties of toys that they loved to hold and play with. Mothers who have many children were given supplementary hygienic processed food. We are planning to extend our services to the elderly and fragile patients as well.

We express our sincere thanks and appreciation to all our donors who enabled us to serve our patients and bring smiles to the faces of the less fortunate children and people of our villages. We pray for you and ask God to bless you!



Sr Aisilin RNDM

#### IMPROVED FACILITIES AT ST. CLARA'S HOSTEL - BANGLADESH

St. Clara's Hostel, situated in Jholjholia, Mymensingh, provides a safe and comfortable living space for underprivileged tribal girls and staff. The residential home aims to create an environment that supports academic success, personal growth, and



holistic development, encompassing mental, physical, and spiritual well-being of the girls. The sisters are committed to nurturing them with love, care and guidance. The hostel began in 2008, and since then the number of girls have gradually increased every year. We have made efforts to provide accommodation, although all facilities did not match up to the residents' needs. Therefore a recent initiative was launched to enhance the living conditions by making some improvements. With the funds received, we procured and installed new furniture, electrical appliances, solar panels, plastic chairs and tables for study rooms, a television set and installed a water tank . Additionally, a refrigerator was also purchased for better storage of perishable items

and collective food supplies, which has become immensely helpful.

Thanks to the support of the Solidarity Funds, we were able to address several of the children's needs. The hostel girls are happy and deeply grateful for the improvements made possible by your kind and generous contributions. Your support has significantly enhanced the living environment of the residential home, making it a better place for all to grow with confidence and satisfaction and thus get access to quality education.

Once again, we sincerely thank you for your unwavering support, love, concern and generosity towards us.





#### **EDUCATION OF INDIGENOUS CHILDREN - VIETNAM**

We would like to express our deepest gratitude to all the sisters and benefactors who have loved and assisted financially our missions in Vinh Trang. Your generous support has enabled us to provide and empower the indigenous students in Vinh Trang residential home - Vietnam.



These 40 children come from poor families, live in difficult circumstances in remote villages and belong to different ethnic groups. They are keen to study but their parents could not afford to send them to school. Your generous support has made a real difference in their lives and means a lot to them.

Thanks to the support received, we were able to buy food, clothes, school supplies and pay school fees for the 40 indigenous children. These children have finished their school year; all of them passed their examinations with good results.

During the weekends, these students go to the village near our residential home to tutor the weak ethnic primary students. Their faith and human development have improved gradually. They become more familiar with basic domestic work. They are happy and remain grateful to you.

On behalf of the RNDM Sisters in the Vinh Trang community, I sincerely thank you for your kindness and generosity in supporting our missions. God bless you and keep you all in good health!





Each one teach one is our motto!

Sr Kim Cuong RNDM

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