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Dear Donors and Friends of Wisdom,

As we await the coming of Spring, the Daughters of Wisdom want to thank our donors and friends for their past support in our efforts to live out our mission. Despite the on-going situation with COVID, you have continued to support us. Through an e-mail request to you, we were able to financially send aid to our Sisters in Haiti following the earthquake in August which devastated once again a large part of this impoverished country. We are so grateful for this outpouring of love and support.



You responded to our summer appeal for the repair of the bulkhead at our convent in Sound Beach, New York, where some of our Sisters who are retired or ill reside. This convent overlooks Long Island Sound and coastline erosion created the need for the bulkhead or seawall to be replaced. This was an extremely costly undertaking but most necessary. Your support has significantly helped with the cost of this project.

In October, we reached out for support of a new ministry that Sister María Jesús began at St. Hugh of Lincoln Parish in Huntington Station, NY. Sr. María identified a need among the Hispanic immigrant women for nutrition education. Sr. María's goal is to assist the women in making nutritious and easy-to-prepare meals with quinoa. There was an enthusiastic response to the classes. Due to COVID, the classes are on a temporary hold, but will resume this spring. Your support of this new venture was so encouraging!



We are now appealing to you on behalf of our Sisters in Madagascar, Malawi, and Philippines that have endured powerful cyclones in the past few months. For example, in Marotsiriry, Madagascar, where our Sisters live among the village poor all their ready-to-harvest produce was lost in the blink of an eye. The impact was also felt in health care where many are still dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic and then lost a valuable dispensary in the cyclone. In Malawi there was also extensive damage to bridges with the resultant loss of livestock and crops. The local churches and organizations are responding to the needs of displaced persons who are now homeless. We will forward any monies raised to our General Leadership in Paris, who will respond to prioritized needs in all three countries.



We are all very conscious of the needs of the people in Ukraine. Please be sure to direct your donations to reputable organizations that have a history of serving in that area. I would recommend Americares who has a long history of providing aid to refugees and migrants, including support health services during humanitarian crises. Americares has worked in Ukraine and the surrounding area of eastern Europe for decades.

We are forever grateful for you and the ways in which you support our efforts in a world that hungers for kindness, compassion and understanding. May Wisdom bless you abundantly!

Gratefully yours,

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