

JANUARY - MARCH 2022 NEWSLETTER

BEDDING PROJECT

We will always remember the support of our Christmas Appeal bedding project!

We thank, in a very special way, all those who contributed to this project. The funds were sent to Gabon/Chad, Haiti, Kenya and Nigeria as was indicated.



BE A TEAM MEMBER OF THE DDL DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY

We invite you to join the Daughters of Divine Love (DDL) Congregation to be an Ambassador of God's Love:

- **By Prayers** - we can always use your prayers and good wishes.
- **Send us your Prayer requests** - We accept and offer prayers on behalf of anyone and anything positive of the petitioner.
- **Joining the Order** - Young women can make the vocational choice of joining Daughters of Divine Love congregation.
- **Generous donations** - Cash and tax-deductible donations. DDL is a 501 c 3 designated organization, so all your charitable donations are tax-deductible.
- Donors can choose specific programs or missions to apply their donations.
- Donors can name Daughters of Divine Love in their Wills and other Bequests.
- Suitable and unencumbered buildings to house our programs and personnel are welcome.

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Thank you for your anticipated support. We appreciate all our friends, benefactors and donors who help us make a difference in the lives of people in the countries where our Sisters serve.

"Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I put my trust in you." Ps. 143:8

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2022 LENTEN / EASTER APPEAL

Yes! He is Risen

I am not sure how you feel but I love the Resurrection of Christ. The thought of it gives me great joy and fills my whole being with happiness. The Passion always challenges me but when I remember the Resurrection, then I am ready for the Passion. Hope for the resurrection lifts me up.

Thanks to our Donors

The Daughters of Divine Love are very grateful to all our donors. We are indebted to you all; without your support we cannot

continue with our Divine Love Ministry to the poor and needy. Since our 2021 Christmas Newsletter your partnership has enabled us to accomplish much. We and all the beneficiaries are grateful and will always remain appreciative of your sacrifices to better their lives.

Have a wonderful Easter!

I remain
Yours in the Divine love,
Sr. MaryPaul Asoegwu, DDL
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WATER PROJECT

The water project in Eha Alumona is presently at a standstill after the water pump was installed. As most of you know, water, one of the most essential commodities in life, is very scarce in some areas of the world. Sometimes engineers make mistakes and point at a wrong spot for a borehole/well and when they start digging they find out that water is not forthcoming from the spot that was intended and thus they have to find another spot. That happened with this project and the funds designated for it could not see it through. What is remaining for its completion is either a generator or solar panels to help pump out the water from the well. Because of the depth of the well, a 10HP, 7.5kw solar submersible pump and its accessories are needed to pump out the water. The cost is almost \$19,000.

This water project will serve a hospital, medical laboratory school, pro-life center, etc. Any help towards the completion of this project would be highly appreciated.



"The Love of God impels us ..." 2nd Cor. 5:14

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RENOVATION WORKS

With thanksgiving to God, I am happy to announce to you that The Primary/Nursery School in Ikem and the Medical Laboratory School at Eha Alumna have sponsors who donated towards their renovations. We sincerely thank these philanthropists and benefactors.



WATER STORAGE

Jerry Cans, Drums, Barrels and Tanks

Our Easter project this 2022 will be to provide water storage equipment to those in dire need where our Sisters minister in Chad, Gabon, Haiti, Kenya, Mali and Nigeria. Some of these places have no access to consistent clean water or safe water. Children and adults die of water-borne diseases.

While waiting for an opportunity to dig a borehole/well for them, we hope to provide many families with water storage to the extent of your contributions to this project so that when they have opportunity to get a temporary water access, they will have a place to store it.

The price for these different water containers ranges from \$50 to \$2,000. For example, \$2,000 will get a big durable tank of water for a school or clinic and \$50 can buy a 5 gallon

Prayer Intentions

For Ukraine, Sons of Divine Love, Herbert, and for many others who have requested our prayers and many we need and ought to pray for. Let us pray; Lord hear our prayer.

Our Easter Novena this year, prayed by our sisters ministering in 18 countries, will be offered for these special intentions.

Please write out your prayer intentions on the space provided. Cut out and send this card back to us.

Your Prayer Intentions for the Easter Novena

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"Do Everything in Love" 1st Cor. 16:14

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SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATION

Time flies. I can't believe that the Daughters of Divine Love (DDL) are already 25 years ministering in Jamaica. When late Archbishop Samuel Carter, S.J. first invited DDL it seemed a hurdle. Thanks to the grace of God and the hard work of now retired Bishop Charles Dufour, our work has flourished in Jamaica. That first group of four sisters was led by our very own Sr. Victoria Oleka, who is presently Development Ministry Staff. We thank God for all His blessings. Now the Daughters of Divine Love have four communities in two Arch(dioceses) in Jamaica.

Their celebration takes place on April 20th, 2022.
You are all invited.



Bishop Dufour with the first group of DDL sisters in Jamaica 25 years ago.

Benefit Luncheon

Our Annual Event fundraiser comes up this year on **Saturday, May 14th, 2022** at the Paradise Elegant Banquet Hall in Bridgeview, IL. It starts by 11am and ends at 4pm. In thinking of this Benefit Luncheon, imagine Paradise. Come and feel His Presence and delight in it.

YOU ARE INVITED!
Saturday, May 14, 2022 • 11am-4pm
Paradise Elegant Banquet Hall
9220 S. Harlem Avenue • Bridgeview, IL 60455

You can purchase tickets through our website: ddldev.org or call **815-497-2192**, or **773-251-1387**, or **773-359-2159**. The cost is \$75 per adult and \$35 for children 12 years and under. If you cannot come, please donate your ticket(s) for the use of those who want to come but do not have the money or donate in the support of our ministry.

You can also support us by putting an AD or well wishes in our Event brochure.

Do you want to be a sponsor?

Please visit our website and see the Levels of Sponsorship and their Entitlements. But remember, no amount is too small or too big. Every dollar goes a very long way to make a difference in the lives of the deserving people to whom we minister.

25 Years in Cuba!

May 12, 2021, marked 25 years of our existence in Cuba.

We planned to celebrate it last year, but coronavirus changed our plans. Then, we shifted it to this year, 2022, thinking that things would be better, but the reverse is the case. Things are getting worse every day. So, for this reason, we decided to celebrate it with our friends only (*Friends of the Daughters*) on Saturday, January 29, 2022. Mass was at 11am. Then, after Mass, we had a group photograph with the friends and cut the Silver Jubilee cake. Lunch was take-away to avoid problems of any kind.

Both the Cuba and Jamaica missions are the fruits of our beloved Sr. MaryPaul Asoegwu attending and being an expert during the first Special Synod for Africa of the Synod of Bishops in Rome in 1994.

May the Lord be praised both now and forever, amen.



"For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved..." Rom. 10:13

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