

DAUGHTERS OF *Divine Love*
DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY



OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2022



FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DESK

Steadily and gradually, the seasons are rolling around again. We are eternally grateful to God for His goodness to all of us, and we appreciate you, our donors, for your regular support as you walk the walk with us in our ministry of love.

Watching the brilliant and beautiful colors of the fall season is a reminder of the beauty of God's gifts at different seasons of our life. We are about to commence another Liturgical cycle, the season of Advent followed by Christmas, and its panoramic hues of colors and light effects, gifts wrappings and exchange, delectable flavors from the kitchen and the joys of family gatherings at the hearth. And suddenly we think of the vulnerable, who do not have such opportunities to enjoy these beautiful moments because of the social malaise and health hazards they battle with every day.

Mosquitoes, the cause of malaria which contributes to 12% of deaths in Nigeria is a big problem in Africa. I just returned from Nigeria and suffered my share of malaria fever. I thank God that I was in good hands and received the right medical care for a quick cure and recovery. Many children and adults suffer the ravages of malaria daily, and this could be easily avoided when the necessary precautions are taken. The first on the list is to sleep under proper mosquito nets.

This Christmas, we target to distribute a thousand mosquito nets to villagers in areas where malaria is very rampant. We equally need a good supply of anti-mosquito chemical sprays, and medications

for those who cannot afford to go to the hospital. The total cost for a very durable mosquito net is about \$100 including other materials and labor. To fumigate the premises is about \$250 and this last for 3 to 6 months allowing the people to move around their compound during the period without malaria threats. The cost for the medication is controlled by several factors; and treating malaria can cost a lot of money depending on the counts of malaria parasites in the body.

And on the other hand, flood has desolated some of the places our Sisters are ministering in Nigeria. Many homes, schools, clinics, and farms have been damaged. Any help towards the rehabilitation of these places is highly welcomed.

This Giving Time, we bring you the blessings of the Word of God:

"Give and gifts will be given unto you, a good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap..." Luke 6:38

Have a grace filled Advent season, and a wonderful and memorable Christmas.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours in the Love of God,

Sr. MaryPaul Asoegwu, DDL
Executive Director



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

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DDL Projects!

We continue to thank God who put His grace and mercy in your hearts to partner with us through your prayers and financial support. It is worthy of note to inform you that your contributions add value to lives and give people hope for without your support we have no prospects of doing what we do. The portable water projects in Awkuzu and Ibadan (in Nigeria) have been successfully completed and are yielding a good supply of water on a daily basis.

And yet with gratitude and trust in divine providence, we still have so many projects under construction begging for funds for their completion:

In Nigeria – the Mother House, the Health Clinic in Port Harcourt, Obiangwu Secondary School, Eha Alumona School of Medical Laboratory Technicians and Water project, and Poultry Farm in Emene.

In Haiti – the Health Clinic and financial support for the Sisters who are battling with the national political unrest and daily high cost of living. They had to flee their convent to take refuge from the terror that was unleashed on the area. But they have now returned to face the demon of economic stagnation.

In Kenya – Completion of the School and Cow farm projects.

We do sincerely need to hit the jackpot to complete all the projects enumerated above. Our God is able for the "Lord's is the earth and the fullness there off." And we trust that with wonderful donors and benefactors like you, together as a team, we shall overcome.



Mother House in Umuchigbo



Obiangwu Nursery/Primary School

New Staff Welcome

We welcome another new staff, Sr. M. Ann Mmeke, DDL to join the DDL Development Ministry. The more the merrier. Her wealth of knowledge will surely be of great advantage to the ministry activities.



SAVE THE DATE! Saturday, May 6, 2023

Think paradise and be in 'Paradise' to have a taste of a simply divine luncheon. One and all are invited.

The Daughters of Divine Love hosts

The 23rd Annual Simply Divine Benefit Luncheon

Paradise Elegant Banquets

9220 South Harlem Avenue, Bridgeview, IL 60455
from 11am to 4pm

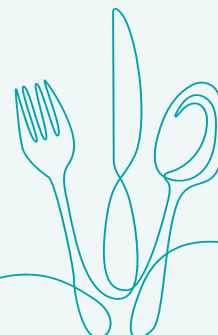
You can purchase tickets through our website: ddldev.org
or call: 815-497-2192 or 773-251-1387 or 773-359-2159

The cost is \$75 per adult, and
\$35 for children 12 years and under.

Sponsorship levels from \$1,000 to \$5,000 available.

If you choose not to attend, please donate your ticket(s) in support of our ministry or for the use of those who want to come but cannot afford it.

**You can also support us by putting an Ad
or well wishes in our Event Brochure!**



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

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CONFERENCE CALL PRAYER MEETING

The conference prayer meeting held every day at 8:05pm which the DDL Development Ministry launched in the thick of the pandemic on Easter Sunday 2020 is still very much on.

With the corona virus mutating into various strands and impacting more children this time, we shall not relent imploring the mercy of God until there is healing in the land.

Please join the prayer session via the Divine Love Family Prayer Line:

- **Dial Number: 978-990-5188**
- **Access Code: 6018844#**

To Donate to our Ministry, you can:


- Make your checks payable to: Daughters of Divine Love Development
- Send checks to: Daughters of Divine Love Development Ministry, P.O. Box 73, Compton, IL 61318
- Donate at our website: **ddldev.org**
- Send a Zelle payment to: **773-251-1387**

Please know that your gift/donation is deductible as allowed by law. The Daughters of Divine Love Development Ministry is a non-profit corporation with 501(c)(3) status. Our tax ID is 32-0458989.

NOVENA PRAYERS


The Daughters of Divine Love Congregation and the staff of the Development Ministry will offer a Novena Prayer starting from December 16 to the 24 for the special intentions of all the friends, benefactors, and donors of the DDL Development Ministry. Please join us in the spirit as we pray for you and your loved ones.

Write your intentions in the space provided below. Cut out and send this card back to us.



Your Prayer Intentions

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____
- 7 _____



General Chapter

The General Chapter of the Daughters of Divine Love Congregation was successfully held from August 21 to September 5, 2022. We thank you for your prayers and good wishes. Rev. Mother M. Anastasia Dike was re-elected to serve the congregation for another six years.



Put Divine Love Into Action by:



Feeding The Hungry



Giving Drink To The Thirsty



Healing The Sick



Light To Those In Darkness



Educating The Uneducated



Sheltering The Homeless

“Wherever there is need, there we go.” – Sr. Mary Paul

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

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CELEBRATION OF VICTORY

Sr. M. Victoria Oleka, DDL, is one of the Sisters in American Region whose scholarly endeavors were rewarded with an amazing success in flying colors this year, 2022. She obtained a master's degree with a Final Grade A Distinction – Major in Public Administration, Minor in Nonprofit Organization from the Grand Canyon University, Phoenix Arizona.

Sr. M. Victoria is staff of the DDL Development Ministry office.

***Congratulations,
Sr. Victoria!***



Our Deepest Condolences... *to members who lost their beloved ones*

The DDL Development Ministry Office lost a dear friend – **Dorothy Mark** – who greatly championed the cause of the Daughters of Divine Love Development Ministry from the inception till her demise on August 19, 2022. She coined the catchy title for our annual benefit luncheon: “Simply Divine Luncheon.”

Mr. Emma Onua lost his aunt – **Lady Grace-Theresa Anigbogu**

Sr. M. Aloysius Onwuegbuchulam, DDL, Skokie, IL, lost her mother – **Ezinne Lolo Catherine Onyenehide**

Sr. M. Christy Amedu, DDL, Skokie, IL, lost quite a number – **Mrs. Margaret Amedu**, (Mother); **Mr. Anthony Amedu**, (Brother); **Sr. M. Eleojo Attah**, DDL; **Patrick Achimugu**, (Cousins); and **Vincent Attah** (Brother-in-Law)

Sr. M. Chinecherem Nwoko, DDL, New Jersey, lost her Sister-in-Law – **Mrs. Christie Nwoko**

Sr. M. Renetta Oyego, DDL, MacLean, TX, lost her nephew – **Franklin Chukwunonso Oyego**

Sr. M. Melvina Adimora, DDL, Suriname, SA, lost her niece – **Little Melvina Adimora**



*May their souls and the souls of all
the faithful departed, through the mercy of
God rest in perfect peace.*

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 prayer** – We can always use your prayers and good wishes.
- **Send us your prayer requests** – We accept and offer prayers on behalf of anyone and any petition according to God's will for us.
- **Join the congregation** – Young women can make the vocational choice of joining the Daughters of Divine Love congregation.
- **Volunteer** – Serve as a Board member or join the Benefit Luncheon Committee.
- **Generous Donations** – Cash and tax-deductible donation. 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 the Daughters of Divine Love in their Wills and other Bequests.
- Suitable and unencumbered buildings to house our programs and personnel are welcome.

To reach us, write to:

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Call: **815-497-2192** ➤ Email us: **ddldev2@aol.com**
Please visit us at: **www.ddldev.org**

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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