

Dear Family and Friends,

October 19, 2025

Magnificat! Blessed Month of Missions and Happy Mission Sunday to you and your loved ones!

Giving Tuesday 2025 is just around the corner....we are reaching out to our dear family and friends on behalf of the Sisters Servants of the Visitation (SSV) to update you on their apostolates and ask for your help to support their work among the poorest of the poor. God is so good, and as you may know, He has expanded our mission reach. **The Guardians of the Visitation | US** joyfully work directly with **three SSV Missions**:



THE PHILIPPINES – Ain Karim

Sr. Eliza Ndegwa, SSV leads six SSV Sisters ministering in Borongan City, Eastern Samar, Philippines. Ain Karim Children's Home, operated by the Sisters, provides short and long-term care for children in crisis, malnourished, neglected, abandoned, and special children with disabilities. The SSV Sisters bring food, clothing, and medicines and *The Smile of God* to families in the remote areas.

Needs: Funding for basic provisions for Ain Karim Children and Girls for 2026



KENYA – Magnificat House

Sr. Mary Gitahi, SSV, the Superior Sister of the SSV Mission in Ol Moran, tells us the children and youth of Magnificat House are thriving in their care. Their mission home serves very poor children and young adults with mental and physical disabilities and those abandoned or abused. The Sisters operate a **free medical clinic**, open daily, to bring vital medical services to the tribal communities, providing emergency care, laboratory services, medicines, and follow-up home care.

Needs: Funding for purchasing medicine for the SSV Free Medical Clinic for 2026.

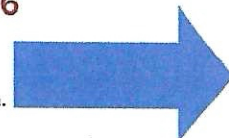
BRAZIL -Projecto Vida



Our dear friend, Sr. Rubi Arellano, SSV, along with three SSV Sisters serve in the town of Jaiba located in the state of Minas Gerais, Brazil. Their large mission is called "Projecto Vida" or "Life Project" is dedicated to helping at-risk children who are vulnerable to local drug trafficking and street culture. Daily they minister to over 250 children offering a variety of workshops and two meals per day. This mission helps these youths and school age children stay off the streets, recover from the violence they witness, and to imagine and work toward a good future.

Needs: Funding to continue Projecto Vida Kids and Teens Computer Program for 2026

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Since 2019 we have been blessed to accompany the Sisters Servants of the Visitation who bring the light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the "Smile of God" to the forgotten poor.

It is impossible to express here how our commitment to walk with this missionary congregation has profoundly impacted our lives, our families, and our relationship with God. **WE ARE the servants to the Servants of the Visitation** and we strive to humbly *always be on mission* spreading the Charism of the SSV Sisters wherever we are: *To renew the visit of the Lord to humanity in this day of today, in the spirit of Magnificat.*

"ALWAYS BE ON MISSION!"



- In 2025 Guardians of the Visitation Tom and Paula Radel visited the Sisters and Children of Ain Karim in Borongan City, Eastern Samar, Philippines for two weeks. Tom and Paula accompanied the Sisters in their many apostolates including home visits to remote villages.
- Tom and Paula hosted Sr. Rubi who arrived from Brazil and Sr. Jean Marie from Kenya in June. The Sisters were invited to participate in the USCCB Missionary Cooperative Plan (MCP) in the Diocese of Buffalo, NY. They were joined in Buffalo by Mike and Sue Hession for a visit to Niagara Falls. In July the Sisters traveled to the home of Cathy and Kevin Douglass in Glen Ellyn, IL, to continue their MCP appeals in the Archdiocese of Chicago, IL.
- The Guardians, along with a dear friend, met in Jenkins, Kentucky in September to volunteer their painting, construction and artistic skills to help the Missionaries of Charity Appalachia Mission.
- In November Cathy Douglass and Mike Hession will travel to the SSV Missions in Nairobi and Ol Moran, Kenya to work along side the Sisters and help where they can.

Be a MISSIONARY OF HOPE in 2025!

Please join us in helping to support the Sisters Servants of the Visitation work among the poorest of the poor.

Be a MISSIONARY today ...with your prayers for the Sisters, and the children and youth in their care.

Your gift, in any amount, will directly help Sr. Mary, Sr. Eliza, and Sr. Rubi help their kids and SSV Missions to thrive in 2026!!