

LITTLE SERVANTS OF THE SACRED HEART

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to LUCA PIAZZA and GSD PREGNANESE,

RE: GRATITUDE for the DONATION of 2,100 EURO

Dear friends,

Live long ! for the good thoughts of helping us even without knowing us . This is great sign of love, shown with actions rather than words. May God reward you all and bless all your activities in the sports.

“LIVE LONG!!” AND MAY YOU SCORE MANY, MANY GOALS, GOOOOOALS!!!!..... Grazie tanto , tanto.

To our great old friend Vincenzo, what I can we say? “ IT IS NOT EASY”. May God bless you for being our mediator and for making our mission known to your friends. You are a great man! Long live and may God bless you greatly.

Dear Friends, as Vincenzo might have explained to you, we opened a new mission two years ago with the aim of reaching the young people and children of this remote place of our country Kenya who have many challenges as they grow. Allow me to explain where we are and our objectives.

WHERE ARE WE?

The little Servants of the Sacred Heart (Liviero community) is in KENYA, EMBU COUNTY, Gachoka, Mbeere South, Sub- County situated along Embu - Kiritiri road. The locality is quite remote and dry with pronounced water problem. Basically the locals are small scale farmers. They farm maize, beans, cow peas, fruits like, mangoes, pawpaw, water melon, yellow passion etc. They also farm “Miraa”. This is where they get most of their Income for it does well even if this is a semi arid area. Never the less, it contributes a lot of challenges to the families, young people and children.

They are engaged in this farming almost twenty-four hours. It is their source of income (life hood). Often the rains fails or it rains very little, and their crops dry up or they harvest very little or nothing. The greatest challenge of this crop “MIRAA” is that, it is a “drug” and most of the people have become addicted to it. Many families are breaking down, family values loosing meaning, young people and children drop from school and they engage themselves in using alcohol and other Drugs. There are many early unplanned Pregnancies/ marriages, cases of malnutrition are on the increase. Cases of HIV/ AIDS are increasing, there are a few and poor health facilities for their medical care. The level of education is very low. Cultural believes are very strong which at times affect them negatively.

OBJECTIVES

Our main aim is to answer to these challenges as our Lord Jesus Christ would do. The Gospel tells us that, many times when he saw different situations he had pity and compassion that moved him to take action. Therefore the L.S.S.H like him, want to promote the human person “ holistically”. Our focus is on the children, youth and their families offering alternative ways of living and of dealing with the issues affecting them. We want to enhance good health living, prevention of occurrence of illnesses and disability, healthy way of spending their leisure time, socializing and discovering their talents, providing curative services to illnesses that occur, as well as rehabilitative services. **We want to promote sports in this locality. We want to form a Football team so as to enhance team work, competition and body building and fitness.**

OUR FOCUS

REHABILITATION CENTRE

We want to open/create a center that will offer rehabilitative service for the families, youth and children. This facility will be opened to all and will offer rehabilitation to those who are addicted, Spiritual formation and Physiological Accompaniment. It will help the youth to know that they are part of God’s project. And using Preventive method, the children and the youth will be provided with **physical body building facilities, sports like foot-ball, basketball, volleyball**, that will enhance their growth. To become aware, of their uniqueness and talents, we want to assimilate the values of freedom, happiness, love, peace, justice and respect for self and others. To work in a way, that enriched by human and Christian formation and supported by the love of God the Father, the youth may live their life with strength and hope, journeying with and for others towards horizons of light.

Therefore, I promise you that the money you have collected and given us (donation) as soon as it reaches us, we will be spend it wisely for the purpose I have mentioned above. We have prepared the field/play ground for games and sports but we need the facilities like football pitch posts, balls, volleyball pitch posts, nets, merry Go Round, swings, slides, for the children. I assure you that as soon as all is put in place I will give you a report.

Dear friends, we are so happy and grateful once again, I really have no words. “Unity is strength”. We appreciate whole heartily and are very happy to see these projects take shape. Always for the service of humanity and the kingdom of God.

Thanks a lot and may God reward you greatly.

Yours Faithfully

SR. ROSEMARY NJIRU (SISTER IN- CHARGE)