



December 2022

Dear Friends of St. Therese of the Little Flower World Mission,

We send you warm Christmas greetings. May you be filled with God’s love, joy and peace as we await the birth of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! A reflection on the past year illuminates God’s presence in our lives and in the lives of the children we serve. With gratitude, we thank our donors for their prayers and generous support. We thank the St. Therese Sisters for all that they do to provide care and guidance to our students. And we thank our children for persevering to attain their goals and dreams of becoming self-sufficient.

**Divine Mercy Girls Seminary  
Bukoba Tanzania — East Africa**

DMGS, founded in 2014, provides a Catholic secondary school education with boarding for 175 girls. The DMGS Student Sponsorship Program helps cover the cost of tuition and boarding. Many DMGS students come from impoverished families in need of financial assistance. Please prayerfully consider supporting a student in need for the upcoming school year. DMGS graduates are offered continued financial support from this sponsorship program through high school and college.

**Capital Campaign Update**

Construction of the perimeter wall for DMGS was completed in October of 2022. The entire compound is safely enclosed by a ten foot stone wall including three entrance gates with guard stations. The new wall provides protection for the students and faculty. The cost of the wall totaled \$110,000. Thank you for your generous support!

The current dorm at DMGS has deteriorated beyond repair and needs to be torn down. The new dorm will cost \$1,048,550. We currently have a matching gift offer for this project. Please consider a donation toward the construction of this much needed dorm. Keep in mind, your donation will be matched.



Newly completed DMGS entrance gate



Newly completed DMGS perimeter wall



DMGS students receiving sponsor letters and gifts from STLFWM

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**Our Personal Assurance to You**

100% of donations are utilized in accordance with the purpose designated by the donor. All members of the STLFWM Board of Directors serve voluntarily and receive no compensation. Operating expenses of STLFWM are paid for by an anonymous donor. Fundraising is conducted entirely by STLFWM volunteers and not by professional fundraisers. 100% of donations are received by St. Therese of the Little Flower World Mission, Inc. STLFWM follows established accounting procedures and its tax reporting is prepared by a CPA firm. Financial information is available upon request. STLFWM qualified to receive the 501(c)(3) designation by the Internal Revenue Service. Thus, donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. STLFWM is a registered charitable organization in the state of Florida.

**Our Mission Statement**

St. Therese of the Little Flower World Mission, Inc. (STLFWM) is an independent mission board dedicated to serving orphaned and impoverished children by funding Catholic missionary projects in Africa. Missionary projects are carried out by the Sisters of St. Therese of the Child Jesus of the Bukoba Catholic Diocese in Tanzania.

**Board of Directors**

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## St. Therese of the Little Flower Orphanage

Gasorwe Burundi — East Africa

Since 2006, the Orphanage Sponsorship Program has been serving 55 children from early childhood through young adulthood. The majority of the 55 students are now living self-sufficiently. All those remaining in the sponsorship program currently attend college, except for one, Niyonzima Consolata, who has special needs. We are proud to announce that **Sindayigaya Jean Baptiste** graduated from college in August with a degree in Accounting. Congratulations to our students for their accomplishments!



Nzoyisenga Paul at his own kiosk selling food.



Bayivugire Jean Marie receives funding for his own mechanic tools & equipment.



Sindayigaya Jean Baptiste  
College graduate



Niyonzima Consolata  
with her sponsor's letter

### Current Needs

#### Divine Mercy Girls Seminary

- Student Sponsorships to help cover tuition and boarding for impoverished students  
**\$700 per year or \$350 per half year**
- Construction of new dormitory  
**Total cost: \$1,048,550**  
Your donation will be matched.

#### St. Therese of the Little Flower Orphanage

- Install new plumbing **\$1,773**
- Install two washing taps **\$724**
- Car repairs **\$728**
- Sponsor two young women for spiritual formation to become St. Therese Sisters **\$970**



### Welcome to our new Board Member

**Katherine (Katie) Sogolow** joined the STLFWM Board as a director this year. She has been an active supporter since the inception of the Orphanage Sponsorship Program in 2006. We welcome Katie to the STLFWM team!



### Financial Update

#### 2021-2022 School Year Donations Received:

St. Therese of the Little Flower Orphanage (STLFO) Child Sponsorships	\$ 6,838
STLFO General Fund	3,215
STLFO Purchase of car repairs, farming equipment and supplies	2,600
Basic Needs for Sr. Revocata and Sr. Pancratia	500
Divine Mercy Girls Seminary (DMGS) Student Sponsorships	14,047
DMGS Construction	82,259
Tanzania Child Sponsorships	3,300
Organization costs	400
Amazon Smile donations *	83
In-kind donation for professional tax services	480
In-kind donation for postage, photos, office supplies	<u>2,638</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$116,360</u></b>

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[www.stthereseworldmission.org](http://www.stthereseworldmission.org)