



Savior of the World family

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“Man cannot live without love. He remains a being that is incomprehensible for himself, his life is senseless, if love is not revealed to him, if he does not encounter love, if he does not experience God’s plan for human love, in the certitude that the only true good of the human person consists in fulfilling this divine plan.”

“Man became the “image and likeness” of God not only through his own humanity, but also through the communion of persons which man and woman form right from the beginning.”

*Theology of the Body
Pope John Paul II*

With Love and Prayer

Dearest Family,
I greet you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. On behalf of the children and workers of savior of the world I say thanks for your support towards us all. If not for your donations savior of the world would not have being in existence and you are not only stopping there but still we are doing the work that God has assigned us to do. With your help, supports and donations we have being able to help in the building of our community church "St. Mary's Immaculate Conception church' we were able to buy four pillars for

the building of the structure. since our work is to save lives with the help of our mother Mary and our Lord Jesus we have draw into the home four more children two boys and two girls. the name of the boys we have Samuel and James. the girls Emma and Naomy. But Emma is an albino and her body give out lots of spots and when she has wounds it makes it difficult to heal. She is a special attention child. James when

he came into the home he has a culture shuck not knowing what to do just



Here are your babies that you take care of.

being mute all the times and he cant use the toilets because he has not being

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Our sweet Princess - Walking and talking like any other 2 year old



James, one of Louisa's new children

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used to it but thank God for canceling he is doing good now. As for Samuel he is an artist he can watch at you and draw you exactly in fact now he is busy

drawing the stations of the cross in the chapel he is the oldest among the four new children he is 12yrs old. I encourage him to use his talent a lot and he always finds fun in it he is a total orphan. as for Naomi she is just the quiet type and she is so shy. But we were able to do all of these and these children have being able to find a home because of your help, and sup-

ports. that is why you are always in our prayers.

we are now in the raining season and the rains are coming sparsely but the weather is a bit cold and the children are fall sick because of the change in weather. But we give God the graces for his mercies endureth forever. We are still praying that God guide and protect you and provide for you according to his riches in glory and that may you also consider us in your prayers that God will strengthen us and the children. we pray that God open

doors of Provision for you so that you too will be able to help us with much love and prayer
Louisa and children



Emma - She is albino (her skin lacks pigment). She has special medical needs.

Living the Beatitudes Part Three

Damian was happy with his new mission. It was just then that an epidemic of leprosy began to afflict the islands. Hawaii's king named Kamehameha the Fifth gave the royal edict to gather together all lepers and send them to a smaller

island named Molokai. This island became a virtual prison for lepers.

Because everyone on the island lived under the label of "leper", the island degenerated quickly into a place of loneliness and discouragement. Children

who suffered the illness became slaves to the adults who mistreated them until the day of their death. Young girls everywhere became unwilling victims of prostitution. Thieves and people continually intoxicated with alcohol were infest-

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ing the landscape everywhere.

One is to be reminded that the physical symptoms of leprosy leave a person with open wounds especially on the face, ears, elbows, hands, knees, and feet. The person begins to lose parts of their body because the disease is eating away at the more fragile body parts. The smell associated with the illness is also not easy to accept.

Today we know a lot more about the disease. We know, for example, that there are four categories of leprosy. Three of these four categories are treatable. Even the fourth kind of leprosy is treatable if it is detected in the early stages of the illness. Furthermore this illness is contagious only for those people who have daily contact with the lepers four at least three years; and among these people there are those who have not contracted the illness even after 30 years of living to-

gether with the lepers.

One should also realize that today there are medicines and other means that offer protection against the disease.

Last but not least, it is not a sin to become sick

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with leprosy. On the contrary, it becomes an act of compassion and of charity to accompany those who suffer leprosy even when one runs the risk of contracting the illness during the time of apostolic service.

In Father Damian's day and age, no one knew the exact characteristics of the illness. Nor did they know how to combat it. In spite of the fact that there was moral disorder everywhere on Molokai, there were Catholics who sought the

assistance of a priest. Father Damian and three others were chosen to go to the island to provide priestly service. Each priest was to take a yearly rotation of three months.

When Father Damian arrived to give his three months of priestly service, he became an object of suspicion because those who governed the island were Protestant. They decided to make life difficult for Father Damian. They gave him a choice: "Father, you can choose between two options. Leave the island now and never come back... Or, remain here on the island without ever leaving. If you want to stay here, it will be until the day you die. The choice is yours."

These people thought the priest was going to want to protect himself so that without a doubt he would choose to leave the island immediately without ever coming back. They were wrong.

Father Damian made

the choice to remain a friend of Jesus. Like Mother Teresa of Calcutta he contemplated the face of each leprous man, woman or child and he recognized his Savior, Jesus. He loved each and every leprous person, as he loved the one who looks every bit like a leper at the moment of his Crucifixion. We are talking about Jesus. We contemplate him on the Cross; we contemplate him in the face and being of a leper. And we recognize the Gift God wishes to give each and every one of us.

Father Damian stayed on the island until the day he dies. He was there for sixteen years. He contracted leprosy; and he died as a leper. Everyone on the island became the brothers and sisters of Jesus. Now Damian is a saint.

What are you doing today to become a saint? Are you ready to practice the rules of silence? In Jesus' Name... Amen.

Fr. John Gibson OCD

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One of our ongoing problems has been the lack of beds for the children. Louisa has been buying Sierra Leonean mattresses. These are 4 inch, cheaply made, foam mattresses. They do not last, and they cost \$200 each. After considering the options, the board of directors of Savior of the World has decided to purchase American-made, coil spring mattresses here in the US and ship them to Sierra Leone, if we can raise the money.



We can get good quality twin sized mattresses for \$60 each. We would like to purchase enough for all the children. These mattresses should last a long time.

We will be traveling to Sierra Leone at the end of September, and will be bringing

tools to build new beds for the children. The 16 present bed frames will need to be adjusted since American twin mattresses are a few inches longer and wider than what they have now. If funds permit, we hope to buy lumber to build an additional 25 beds, so that all the children will have a place to sleep. Sleeping on the floor is not really an option because of the rain that comes into the house during the rainy season, the numerous large bugs, lizards, and mice who like to roam around at night, and the necessity of mosquito netting.

The children need your help. Can you donate \$60 for a mattress?

Buy a Bed!

Yes, I would like to buy a bed for a child

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