



Canadian Federation
SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH



Dear CSJ/A Federation JPIC Members,

The approach of Lent signals a time of education and appeals for our friends in Haiti. We are moving into year six of our fundraising for the girls, their teachers and Sisters and for the rebuilding of the secondary school just completed. The Lenten Calendar is again available for your use. The focus of the 2018 calendar is the possibilities open to girls when given the opportunity of education. The larger picture shows that the education of girls benefits the areas of health, medical care, being raised out of poverty, civic leadership, and public service.

- Attached find the 2018 Haiti Calendar
Note that on the attached calendar the return address for donations can be customized with your congregational name and address or if you choose the address of the CSJ Federation.
- Checks can be made out to CSJ Federation and marked Mission Haiti.
- Attached also find information from Mission Haiti about the blessing and opening of the secondary school, Coeur de Marie School.
- Information on Mission Haiti, INC (with whom we collaborate on the project) can be found at <http://www.missionhaitiinc.org/about-us/education/>

Suggestions for use of Haiti Calendar:

- Share with Sisters and Associates and ask them to share with others.
- Share with your Communications Office for your Congregational website.
- Use the calendar on line to educate and encourage donations.
- The calendar has been used in schools and religious education programs.
 - A power point presentation is available for educational use. Email jbussen@stjoseph-baden.org.
- If you have used the calendar or efforts to educate and encourage donations in others ways, please share your ideas with JPIC members.

Accomplishments:

- The ten girls: Ferlanda, Laurie, Rose, Kimberlie, Princesse, Tamara, Talia, Sorina, Sheidna, Rose are presently in fifth and sixth grades at Annunciation School.
- Teachers have received scholarships to move toward teacher certification .
- The secondary school destroyed in the 2010 earthquake is now (finally) complete. See attachment for more information.
- Financial contributions have totaled to date: \$294,286.01

Members of the CSJ/A Haiti Committee are available to assist you in any way. We also welcome your ideas and [feedback](#). Thank you for your efforts on this project. It is a privilege to be a part of the lives of those we are serving in Haiti.

Attachments: Letter to share with your colleagues and others; 2018 Haiti Calendar; Report of Coeur De Marie Secondary School Opening.

Note: Letters have been sent to the Communications Members and Federation Leadership Members

CSJ/A Federation Haiti Committee

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