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## A TIME TO GIVE THANKS!

At Thanksgiving, we give thanks for all the blessings we have received. I have many reasons to be thankful, but the greatest of the reasons is you! You have blessed my life and my ministry in ways I could never have imagined. I will be eternally grateful and will never stop offering the Holy Masses for God's blessings upon you.

This fall found me heading to Nigeria, and at KBMS I landed. We inaugurated a new religious congregation, the Divine Mercy Missionary Family (DMMF). It is a congregation of men and women whose mission Evangelization, bringing the gospel of Mercy to the youths and elderly. They will be entrusted with running the school and ministering in the rural pagan communities around our school and beyond.

We visited with the Bishop of Abakaliki diocese, Peter Chukwu and he accepted our invitation to visit and celebrate with the school community. The inaugural visit started marked with celebration of the Holy Mass. He blessed the just completed 14-unit staff residence, dedication of the chapel, consecrated the tabernacle and reposed the Holy Eucharist for our new religious community. It was an official recognition of KBMS as a catholic school now run by the DMMF congregation.

The school continues to excel in academics. The school added 56 students this academic year bringing the population to 132. We now have 12th grade, and they are already preparing for their final year exams. The West African Examination Council (WAEC) and National Examination Council of Nigeria (NECO) have accredited the courses we offer and the school as a center to conduct those examinations. They are organizations that conduct standardized examinations and award certificates for secondary school completion. The student population is growing, and accommodation is becoming a challenge.

Four of our students went to the embassy for visas, only one was granted. The other three have reapplied and have



been scheduled for visa interview on January 2, 2026. Please pray for them. Those who get their visas will be coming to Indiana early next year. Your support made all this possible and I am very grateful!

## RAFFLING OUR ELECTRICITY CHALLENGE.

We have 4 solar substations, 30kva, 15kva and 2x10kva respectively serving the entire school.

They have been great om regulating the usage, turning it off dur-

ing the day to charge up for the night. Most of the batteries have served us for four years now and are hardly holding any charge. With the increase in the student population and the addition of a new staff residence, the school is basically in darkness as the solar hardly lasts till 8pm.



The new staff residence which also houses the sisters and the brothers of DMMF needs to have a separate solar generator. The boys and the girls' dormitories need to have their separate solar generators. We are looking at adding two substations, 30kva. This will go a long way into alleviating the power crisis the school is experiencing now. Remember that we are using solar energy not necessarily because it is green energy, but because there is no national power grid. The cost of installing two 30kva solar generators is \$42,000. We will need another \$20,000 to

replace some 90 old batteries that are hardly holding any charge. This is a huge challenge, and I hope you will help as you have always done.

AEO has created a 50/50 Raffle to raise money for at least one 30kva solar generator. Attached in this mail is the information on how you can participate.

I want to thank those who have committed to our "Sponsor A Child" program. And I am inviting you to consider sponsoring a child. We are still asking for \$5,200 for a child which will provide room and board, tui-



■ tion, books and other school supplies. There are other levels of sponsorship, like covering just the tuition, or the boarding fees of \$100 per month. I will be glad to help you set up a monthly deduction from your credit card or checking account; or you can set it up on our secure website. You can also choose to make a quick donation using Venmo: (@Africanedu).

Consider memorializing yourself or a loved one by naming a building in their honor. Thank you for the good work you have begun and my prayer for you always is for God's abundant blessings and protection.

Thank you for all your continued prayers and support.



A cross section of our students at the inaugural Mass





Bishop Chukwu with the brothers and sisters of Divine Mercy Missionary Family, DMMF at the dedication of our chapel.





Please pray for us. The sad experience of Christians persecution by Muslims in Nigeria is in the northern and central region of Nigeria. We are in the south. But this time we are affected. St Mary's Catholic School in Papiri is in Kotangora Diocese of Bishop Bulus Yohanna, the principal bishop of our congregation. While it is in the north, far from where we are, two of our sisters are from that community. The younger sister of one of those sisters, Grace Yakubu is among the students that are still being held by the kidnappers. We pray for their safe return. Remember that your generous donation goes a long way to support our mission.