

Louvain-la-Neuve, January 14, 2010.

Dear friends, Presidents,
& AIC volunteers,

As you know, a dreadful earthquake has just devastated Haiti. Although we have really tried to get in touch, we have not heard from Jacqueline Casseus, AIC-Haiti president, nor from other volunteers of the group. Thanks to Lili Ferraez, AIC Mexico president, we know that the Daughters of Charity who live there are all safe and sound, but their house is much damaged. (**Note:** We have since learned that Sister Brigitte Pierre, DC, died in the earthquake. Sister Brigitte was 45 years old. She was on her way to school to care for the children. We would ask that you join us in prayer for her.)

We thank all those of you who continue to send us demonstrations of support and union of prayers. As we are scattered all over the world, I suggest having **a prayer chain: at 19:00, let us each one** turn to the Lord, through St Vincent and St Louise, for His Grace to accompany the victims and their families in these never-ending ordeals. May they find on their way brothers and sisters who allow them to keep hoping.

International aid has been set up, but as is often the case, people will soon forget and then the people of Haiti will need help more help than ever, particularly the most deprived, those who are accompanied regularly by the AIC volunteers and the Daughters of Charity.

You can raise funds and send them to the AIC account here, specifying “Emergency aid for Haiti 2010.” We will send the funds to Haiti.

We can find no answer before all these trials; the only thing we know is that Jesus always showed His presence and His mercy when facing human distress.

Let us keep united through prayer and affection.



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