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St. Michael, St. Therese,
and the Holy Angels
Pray for us!
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Savior of the World family

With Love and Prayer

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Prayer to St. Michael

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

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Dearest Family,

I do pray that this newsletter will meet you in a good state of mind. I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your immense help towards Saviour of the world. I would also want to appreciate all of you for the undescribed help you rendered us during our time of crisis. It was not an easy thing, but we were hoping to get an intervention, and you stepped in.

I want to say a big thanks to all of you. The poultry fence has been built, and the home fence has a temporary construction that we will improve on in the future.

Schools have finally reopened, and all the children have started school

We want to extend our deepest gratitude for your unconditional support toward the poorest of the poor.

May God continue to guide your path and may your hands be blessed in the land of the living. May you find favor in the eyes of our Mother Mary and may her intervention for us continue and be accepted by our Lord Jesus. We want to

send our deepest love and appreciation to you all.

*With love and prayer,
Louisa & children*



Working on the new fence



Update on the repairs of the home and school fees

Your outpouring of love to the children of Savior of the World has been phenomenal. Donations in August came to a total of \$12,630. This is enough money to send all the children to school and to cover the cost of the zinc panel fencing. The remainder (about \$700) will be saved for the future expense of a permanent concrete fence (about \$9,000).



Praise and Pain

Dear Friends of the Savior of the World Family,
May the Peace of Jesus Christ be with you now and always!

My brothers and sisters in Christ,

This is the meaning of true love, to give until it hurts.

These words that flowed forth so easily and so often from the heart and lips of Mother Teresa of Kolkata coincide wonderfully with other words of hers that certainly deserve our attention:

Our total surrender to God means to be entirely

at the disposal of the Father as Jesus and Mary were. In giving ourselves completely to God, because God has given himself to us, we are entirely at His disposal: to take whatever He gives and to give whatever He takes with a big smile;

It is thus that we will be all powerful with Him who strengthens us (Phil. 4:13).

God has given the children knowledge, skills and abilities that allows them to do everything that God would want them to do. Because all

of you who are sponsors, donors and benefactors have continued to support the children with generosity and the spirit of self-sacrifice, the children have learned what is necessary to love each other as a family. That means to love with generosity and a spirit of self-sacrifice.

Louisa Aminata and Kadiatu, I am sure, remember the precious moments before the Savior of the World Family came together when God gave them an opportunity to smile in very unpleasant circumstances.

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All of us who were there in Freetown before the Savior of the World began, remember another Kadiatu, Kadiatu Kamaara. We have spoken about her in previous newsletters.

Because Kadiatu suffered as Jesus suffered, she became the backbone of the new Savior of the World Family. She was a brutalized victim of the rebels. They cut off her lips, they cut off her ears, they cut off her nose, they pulverized

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her eye sockets and her jaws; her face no longer looked human. Because she was deathly afraid that anyone who saw her face would scream, she kept her head completely covered with a dirty cloth. She could talk only with great difficulty, she could eat rice only one grain at a time, and it was truly a wonder that she could see and hear.

In her heart, however, Kadiatu yearned to be loved. She gradually discovered that God was speaking to her in the silence of her heart... and that His words were words of love, welcome, appreciation and promise. With the help of Louisa Aminata, Louisa's friend Fatmata, and two other women, Kadiatu came to realize that she could sing in praise of God's gracious, tender mercy and actually become God's special daughter and friend through baptism, the Eucharist and confirmation. She could become a person destined for heaven.

Kadiatu belonged to the Islamic community when she became Catholic. Fatmata soon introduced me to her mother, who was severely ill but also wanted to join the Family of the divine Savior. At the time of her baptism, Fatmata's mother said to me, "Father, does baptism mean that I no longer belong to my own family?" I had to explain to her that the Catholic sacraments actually change you so that you can love your family and receive their love with a new spirit of trust, responsibility, peace and joy.

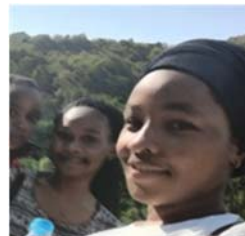
I present to you two African Moslem women who know that God is Love. They are opening doors to a new society where Jesus is recognized for who he is: the Redeemer who is eternally our Lord and our God. They both revere Kadiatu Kamara as a sister to all those who live within the mystifying darkness of God's Will during times of great loneliness and pain. The woman below is Raniya Mohammed, who has

written an article with me for the journal *Africa Tomorrow*, the 2018 issue. In this article she



explains that God wishes each and every one of us to appreciate ourselves as his gift to the human family. Hence we should live with a positive self-image, but this is only possible if we obey God's will. Raniya emphasizes that the one who submits oneself wholeheartedly to God's will – even when it is painful – finds security and peace in God's benevolence.

This woman below is soon to be a Catholic. I shall call her Zoeya – an Arabic word meaning "light and radiance". She shares Raniya's convictions and exercises an



exhilarating, positive influence on Raniya. She has just completed a publishable paper that offers the details for community projects that would give all teenagers the opportunity to learn together the moral uprightness of friendships and lifestyles that preclude all forms of extramarital sexual activity and that would include God's prerogatives for the dignity of the woman, the dignity of the man and the dignity of marriage even for those people who are suffering in the cesspools of poverty.

God intends each and every human being to be a sister for you, a sister for me, a brother for you, a brother for me. We discover each other through generosity and self-sacrifice. May you make your home in the Pure Heart of Mary so that you may share her exhilarating peace and joy with everyone you meet, now and always. Amen. Alleluia!

Fr. Umukozanimana

Savior of the World's 14th Annual Dinner & Auction

Saturday, February 15, 2020

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5:30-9:30 pm

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