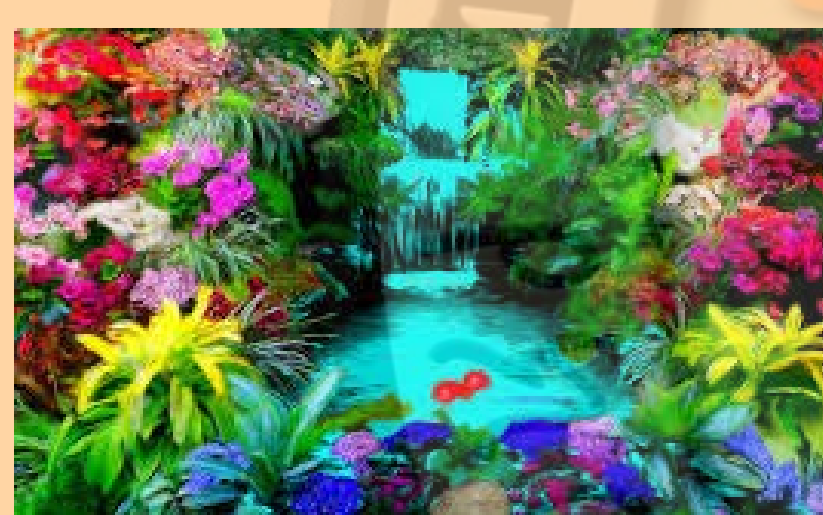




Break through the gate... Go towards... Encounter
The theme evokes us with a greater call to reach out more to those at the peripheries of society.



Life in Community: Relationship imbued with Gospel values
“... Above all, live together in great union and cordiality, loving one another in imitation of the union and life of our Lord (Testament of St. Louise)

Community is like a beautiful garden. Our life in Community is enriched through diversity and giftedness of each other. It is a place where we get essential supports for our vocation as Daughters of Charity. We bear a joyful witness to Jesus Christ and continually strengthen one another with a view to mission. (Cf. C.9)
“You have a vocation which obliges you to help, without any discrimination, all sorts of persons: men women, children, and in general, every poor person who needs you.” (St. Vincent, 11 November 1657)



Spiritual life: our Spiritual life is a way of living driven by the Gospel. A close relationship with Christ – “We are convinced of the necessity to draw constantly from the Gospel; a close relationship with Christ transforms us day after day.” (IADs, 2015 - 2021)

We are energized and inspired by the daily Eucharistic celebration which is the center of our life and ministry and an indispensable meeting with Christ and our brothers and sisters (Cf. C.19b).

“In the mindful of the Lord’s promises, the Daughters of Charity assembled in His name, find His presence in a genuine commu-



Community Events Silver Jubilee celebration of six Sisters



Praise the LORD. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever. (Ps. 106:1)



Prayer is one of the most powerful instruments that God has given us to communicate with Him and reach out to each other through Him.



Quality Formation at Different Levels

From the origins of the Company, Saint Vincent and Saint Louise gave formation a primary place in the life of a Daughter of Charity. Saint Vincent set aside time in his busy schedule to give conferences to the first Sisters. He spoke to them on many topics including the Spirit of the Company, prayer, service of the poor and living together in Community. Saint Louise herself was the primary formator, from whom the country girls learned at firsthand how to serve the poor, through her teaching and her exemplary life.

After the example of its founders, the Province is convinced that quality and solid formation lays solid foundation for an authentic life as a Daughter of Charity. For this reason, a serious thought is given to the discernment, accompaniment and formation of candidates starting from the beginning of our little Company.

“Since Our Lord is the author of this work you must often entreat Him to fill the persons who enter the Company with the Spirit He wants all of you to have, so that, by this means, You may continue the good that has been started.” (St. Vincent, 29 September 1655)

Therefore, formation has to be complete, it must include every aspect of human person: heart, body, mind, will and emotions. The community works on the holistic formation, (human, Christian and Vincentian).



Mission Statement

We the Daughters of Charity of the Province of Ethiopia inspired by the spirit of our founders and animated with the Boldness of Charity commit ourselves to deepen our rootedness in Christ, strengthen our Community life, Spiritual life, service of persons who are poor and formation at all levels in order to authentically live our total gift of self to God in the Church. We endeavor to live our missionary spirit and to keep the flame of Charity of the Company burning.



Postulants

"God the Father, through the unceasing gift of Christ and the Spirit, is the educator 'par excellence' of those who consecrate themselves to Him. Formation then is a sharing in the work of the Father who, through the Spirit, fashions the inner attitudes of the Son in the hearts of young men and women." (Vita Consecrata 66).



Seminary Sisters



On-going Formation of Sisters



St. Joseph's House, Danka and Eye Clinic Sr. Alamze Admasu and Sr. Hiwot Zewde with two eye clinic staff



Gabriel House, Alecu Kindergarten School, Children at the Kindergarten welcoming the Visitatrix during her visit to the school.



Praise the Lord with cymbals and the sound of music. (Cf. Ps. 150:5)

St. Joseph, Danka - Samero Kindergarten



Children at the Kindergarten welcoming the Visitatrix during her visit to the school.



Sr. Hanna Tolessa – Sister in Charge of Alecu Clinic

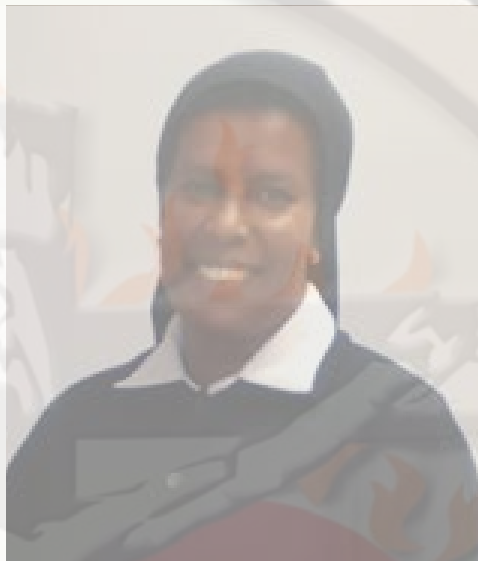


Sr. Hanna Tolessa and Sr. Hiwot Zewde – during Sr. Hiwot's visit to Alecu Clinic

Gabriel House, Alecu, Dembidollo: is one of the remotest local community house in the Province.



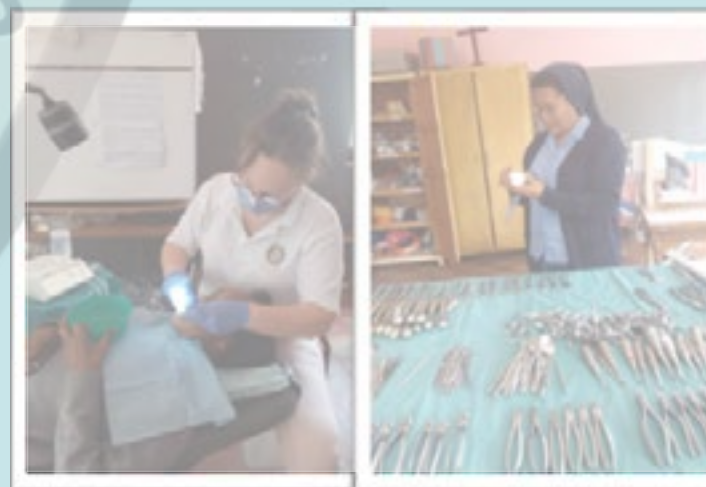
Alecu SILC (Saving and Internal Lending Community) programme



Servant with a servant attitude. Sister Meskerem kejela and her assitant program for person with disabilities, jimma



St. Joseph's House, Danka Poly Clinic Sr. Alganesh Assefa – Local Superior of St. Joseph's House, Danka and Gabriel House, Alecu



St. Joseph's House, Danka Poly Clinic – Dental Service given by vol-



The children ask God to bless them, bless their meal, bless the donors and provide for those who have nothing to eat.



St. Justin De Jacobis House, Alitena clinic



Sr. Meaza Gebray – Local Superior and Sister in charge of Alitena clinic.

“The call ... to rediscover, at the source, the inspiration and intuitions of their founders.”

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