

June 6, 2022.

ARCHDIOCESE OF HARTFORD MISSIONARY COOPERATIVE PLAN, 2022.

Dear Fr. Daniel:

Thank you very much for accepting the Diocese of Wa, in the Upper-West Region of Ghana, to carry out the 2022 Missionary Cooperative Plan in the Archdiocese of Hartford. On the weekend of June 19, I will be in your parish as representative of the Diocese of Wa to appeal to your generosity. Therefore, I would like to give you a little idea about the Diocese.

The Diocese of Wa covers the entire Upper-West Region of Ghana (West Africa). Erected on November 3, 1959, the Diocese is led by Most Rev. Bishop Richard Baawobr, M.Afr (Cardinal-elect), and has a Catholic population of about 450,000, served by some 145 Priests of which about 140 are Ghanaians, 170 Religious Sisters and Brothers, and well over a 100 Catechists and Lay leaders, serving the 26 parishes and the over 85 Out-Stations visited by the Priests.

Located in a developing country and as expected, the financial needs of the Diocese are many. However, the specific objective for this MCP in your Archdiocese is to solicit your generous donation that will assist the bishop to complete the construction of the Wa Diocese Priests' Home which is designed for the elderly, aged, sick and all other priests who may need some special attention to fully regain their energies for their pastoral ministry. This project has been divided into three phases: The first phase is the construction of a chapel, one 4-Unit chalet, a refectory, kitchen and a laundry. That aspect of the project has been completed. The second phase which is on-going is the construction of semi-detached quarters for a nurse and domestic staff. The third phase will be construction of 2 4-Units Chalets. This is yet to be started and will require additional infusion of cash in the amount of USD 160,000.

Total project costs:	USD 319,156
Funds raised to date for project:	USD169,156
Funds needed to complete project:	USD160,000

In a nutshell, this gives you an idea how your generous contribution to the Wa Diocese will be spent. On behalf of Bishop Richard Baawobr, M. Afr., I am most grateful to you for accepting the Diocese of Wa in your 2022 Missionary Cooperative Plan.

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