

October 16, 2014



Nova Catholic Community
Attn: Ken Chaison
10000 Winnepeg Court
Burke, VA 22015

Dear Ken,


It is with heartfelt gratitude that we receive your most recent contribution of \$100.00 toward the ministry of Franciscan Mission Service. Thank you for helping us sustain our mission of training and supporting lay people to develop as compassionate servant leaders committed to serving alongside the poor and vulnerable in our world.

Last month, we welcomed five courageous lay people to our formation house in Washington, DC. These missionaries-in-training are spending three months preparing for their life-giving mission of working for peace and justice in solidarity with the poor abroad. This formation covers scripture, Franciscan spirituality, Catholic Social Teaching, conflict resolution, cross-cultural adaption and more.

To spiritually support the new missionaries during their oftentimes strenuous formation and emotional transitions, we have set up a prayer partners program. After you take the prayer pledge online, you receive weekly email updates about the missionaries' training as well as have your name added to our prayer book. While you are praying for our missionaries, they are praying for you during their weekly Mass and twice-daily prayers. I hope that you will consider participating in the program and invite a friend to join you. To take the pledge, please visit <http://www.franciscanmissionservice.org/prayerpartners>. I also invite you to visit our blog (www.franciscanmissionservice.blogspot.com) to read stories from our missionaries in the field as well as reflections from various Franciscan-hearted people.

Ken, our ministry is only possible through the generous support of people like you. Thank you for choosing to walk with us as we walk with others.

Peace and all good,


Kim Smolik
Executive Director

Thank you for your faithful support of our ministry!

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