## The Sisters of the Incarnate Word (cont.)

therapists and a cook - all of whom help to look after 23 disabled and abandoned children. All the staff work hard to provide a home-like atmosphere for the children. They are funded solely through charitable donations.



he Sisters of the Incarnate Word and Hogar Niño Dios are always in need of financial assistance. They do not receive any regular contributions from outside sources, apart from fundraising efforts.

Share in their mission. Please pray for the good works of the Sister of the Incarnate Word and consider a financial contribution to Hogar Niño Dios.

## Hogar Niño Dios of Bethlehem



If you are interested in supporting this program:

Hogar Niño Dios of Bethlehem

#### Please contact our office:

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# Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem Western Lieutenancy

# Hogar Niño Dios of Bethlehem

Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live for ever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect.

-Pope Francis

## **EOHSJ MISSION**

s described on the Vatican web-site, "The Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem is the only lay institution of the Vatican State charged with the task of providing for the needs of the Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem and of all the activities and initiatives to support the Christian presence in the Holy Land."

Hogar Niño Dios welcomes children who are handicapped, and children who have a serious mental or physical need. The home is located steps from the Basilica of the Nativity in Bethlehem.





Chanks to the generous bequest by Rev. Sir William Harnischfeger, KCHS, the Western USA Lieutenancy was able to fund urgently needed construction at Hogar Niño Dios. Rev. Sir Harnischfeger was a successful physician who, after the passing of his wife, entered the seminary and was ordained a priest. The lieutenancy wanted to honor his memory by allocating funds to projects in the healthcare and medical fields, which we continue to do today.



The home currently offers schooling and many types of therapy, including physiotherapy and hydrotherapy sessions, to 20 children who have both mental and physical disabilities. The children's families are encouraged by the home to continue to play an active part in their little ones' lives. Some of these children will at some point be reintegrated into society, for others this place of welcome will be their permanent adopted home.





## The Sisters of the Incarnate Word

The Institute Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matar, a religious community, was founded by Rev. Carlos Miguel Buela on March 19, 1988 in San Rafael, Argentina.

"We as women religious believe that our primary vocation is to be the 'Spouse of Christ.' By giving ourselves totally to Christ, the Redeemer of Man and the Spouse of Souls through the vows of our consecration, we fulfill our own

femininity. Aware of the Father's call and the prompting of the Holy Spirit, we, the Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matar, want to follow Christ, the chaste, poor, and obedient One. We want to take on His mind and His way of life. By imitation of Mary of Nazareth, the exemplar of every religious woman, we desire to be signs of God's tender love towards the human race and to be witnesses to the mystery of the Church, who is Virgin, Bride, and Mother.

We ask you to pray for our young Religious Family that our only interest may be to have life in Christ Jesus."

Operated by The Sisters of the Incarnate Word, Hogar Niño Dios in Bethlehem fulfills an extraordinary mission by caring for and assisting handicapped children. Many Palestinian families still regard physically and mentally disabled children as an embarrassment and they either keep the children hidden away or abandon them. Run by five nuns of the order, with the assistance of two priests and numerous lay staff, including a nurse, doctor, physical and musical