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*Serving the Children of God  
in St. Lucia for over 10 years*

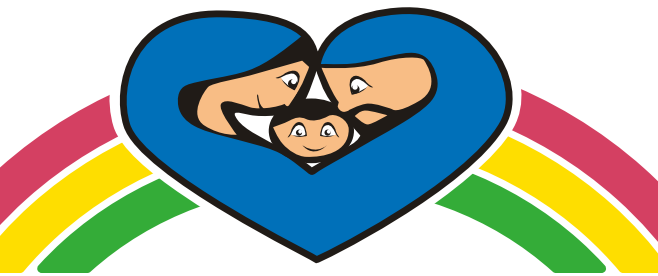
# My Wall, Brick by Brick

I have a well-built wall you cannot see  
Because it's deep inside of me  
It blocks my broken heart on every side  
And helps emotions to hide  
You cannot reach in, nor can you reach out  
You keep wondering what it's all about.  
The wall I carefully built that you cannot see  
Results from insecurity  
Each time my hollow heart was hurt  
The scars just seemed to grow, worse and worse  
So brick by brick  
I built a perfect wall  
So thick, it will never fall  
Please, comprehend that it is not you  
But do continue trying to break through  
I want so much to show myself  
Hopefully love from you will really help  
So brick by brick  
Chip at my well-built wall  
Till brick by brick, it starts to fall  
I know that process is going to be slow  
It's very difficult to let go  
Of hurt and disappointment long ingrained  
Upon my heart from years of pain  
I am so afraid  
To let you in  
I know I might get hurt again  
I attempted to break this wall  
But it seems I got nowhere at all  
For brick upon brick I've stacked  
And left between not even a crack  
The only solution  
To make it fall  
Are imperfections in the wall

*Written by a child from  
The Holy Family Children's  
Home now in foster care.*







## The Holy Family Children's Home

The Holy Family Children's Home was founded in 1997 by the Archdiocese of Castries in collaboration with Good News Project, Inc. from Wisconsin, USA and the Dominican Sisters of Our Lady of Delivrande.

The Home is a charitable organization managed by the Dominican Sisters with the help of a Board and administrative staff.

The rapid growth of the Home over the last ten years is illustrated:

- In its present capacity to accommodate 20 children in two houses.
- In the progress of the children's psycho-social and educational development.
- Most of the children are at primary and secondary schools. Some have completed their secondary education, and one is now at a tertiary institution.

## The Vision

To provide wholesome care and education to all children who come to the Home and establish them in a family environment where they can be loved and nurtured.

## The Mission

To provide a loving and secure temporary home for children who are abandoned, orphaned, neglected or abused in their living environments, with a view to making long term provisions for their care within a family atmosphere which is stable as well as socially, emotionally, physically and spiritually enriching.

## How is the home financed?

Primarily, confidence in God's providence and the tangible gestures of good will of benefactors finance the Home. The Home welcomes a small quarterly subvention from the government, but needs the support of many others.



*Could you provide a family for a child who needs one? Contact us!*

## The Future of the Children

Most of the children are waiting to be adopted or fostered, while others are waiting to be reunited with their families. The Home collaborates closely with the the local government Division of Human Services and Family Affairs in its efforts to find suitable families for the children in its care.

## How can you assist?

- By visiting the Holy Family Children's Home at Ciceron
- By becoming part of at least one child's life
- By making financial and other contributions to the Home
- By becoming a foster parent
- By adopting a child
- By helping with a party or outing for the children
- By volunteering your time to assist in recreational activities for the children.
- By praying for the children's wellbeing.

To make a financial contribution to the Children's Home, please contact:

**Sr. Anthonia David, Administrator**

or make a deposit to:

**The Holy Family Children's Home  
A/C No. 7013840**

**Royal Bank of Canada**

**Wm Peter Blvd, Castries, St. Lucia.**

US donors may contribute to:

**The Holy Family Children's Home  
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