



Message from Sister Mūmbi

Summer continues to bless us with long, sunny and warm days, for which we are grateful. However, the devastating impact of climate change continues to cause havoc with tornadoes, unusually heavy downpours in some parts of the world, yet drought and famine in others. In South Sudan, the humanitarian actors have declared the ongoing “re-displacement” of people a crisis. More South Sudanese are making their way back into the country from Sudan, due to the [civil war there](#), but there is minimal intervention due to a lack of funding from both the non-profit and government sectors.

As we take stock of the first half of the year, I am filled with gratitude for all of you, our supporters, for continuing to believe in our mission and ministry. One of our faithful donors, [Lillian Trillo](#), went on to be with God, and I ask that you say a prayer for her, her loved ones, and for the many lives she impacted through her self-giving, not just through Friends in Solidarity, but many other initiatives.

Despite the constantly shifting global economic scene, you have all continued to generously offer yourselves. As a result of your support, our Catholic Health Training Institute just graduated another cohort of nurses and midwives, who will ensure that their home communities are served by well-trained health care workers. Please share, in some small way, in the joy of this tremendous accomplishment through our [CHTI newsletter](#).



On July 9, the day that South Sudan celebrated its 12th independence day, we also learned that Pope Francis had elevated the [Archbishop of Juba](#) to be the first cardinal of this young country. May this be a further stabilizing influence in the ongoing quest for durable peace in South Sudan.

May our dear God accompany you all very closely in the coming days. Thank you!

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Photo above: Sister Mūmbi with CHTI students in Wau, South Sudan, in February 2023