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2020-2021 Annual Appeal

Dear Friend,

For over 60 years Sr. Lucille Cormier, CND, blended her passions for music and for helping others. She became a CND Sister in 1954 and began her service as a classroom music teacher. She then launched a second career as a music therapist.

Sr. Lucille taught at CND schools in Connecticut, Illinois and New York. While researching at the Lincoln Center Music and Art Library she discovered music therapy was a profession. She became a registered music therapist, applying her new skills first at the Hartford, CT Institute for the Blind. She then served as director of the music therapy program at Misericordia University in Dallas, PA.

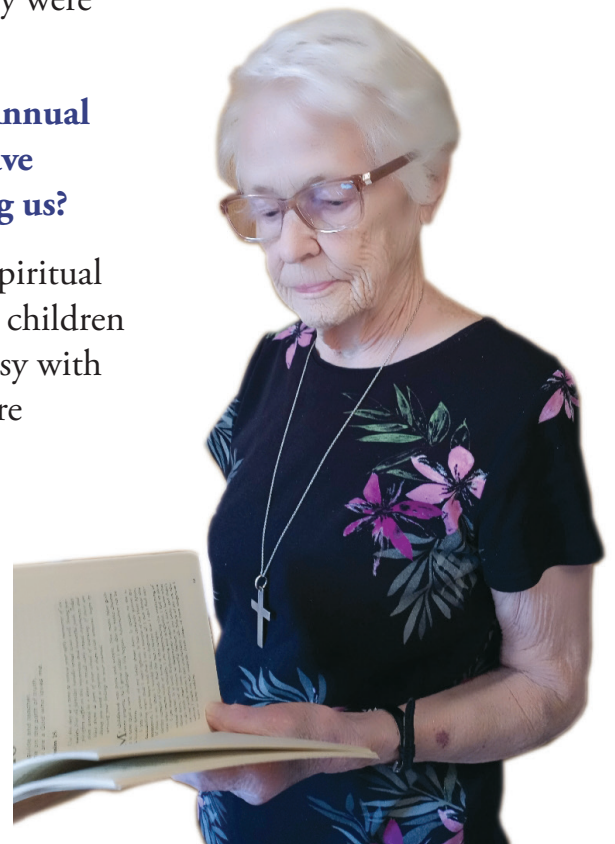
From there Sr. Lucille accepted a challenge to treat special needs children at Boston's Kennedy Memorial Hospital, now known as Franciscan Children's. Her goal was to combine music therapy and "working with children to let them know how much they were loved by God no matter what."

Won't you give \$50, \$100 or more to our 2020-2021 Annual Appeal and support CNDs like Sr. Lucille? Sisters who have dedicated their lives to serving the most vulnerable among us?

Sr. Lucille says special needs children bestowed on her a spiritual experience she would not otherwise have had. She found the children especially tolerant and generous. "One child had cerebral palsy with lots of problems. He wanted me to help a child who was more seriously impaired. I saw that kindness and acceptance - that divine providence - every day."

One special gift she received was to prepare Catholic children for the sacraments, adapting them to the children's needs. "Families never expected their child to receive Communion or be confirmed. I was blessed to be able to help them do that."

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Sr. Lucille Cormier, CND

Sr. Lucille retired and for several years volunteered with POTS (Part of The Solution), an agency serving the poor in the Bronx. She now plans to move to the CND community at Executive House in Bridgeport, CT.

Most of the eight CNDs at Executive House are retired and no longer receive salaries. Their Social Security payments are meager. The Congregation covers these Sisters' living expenses. The annual cost for each Sister to live at Executive House is about \$20,000. Some Sisters are on Medicaid, but if they need extra services, the Congregation provides them.

Your gift will support Sr. Lucille and the CND community at Executive House. It will help sustain all our Sisters, whether retired or still in active ministry.

Sr. Lucille says that although the practice of religious life has changed, the core is the same. "The core remains the commitment to Jesus and the Church." She cherishes the example of compassion given by CND foundress St. Marguerite Bourgeoys. "Marguerite saw the needs of people and did what she could to be helpful to them."

If Sr. Lucille could make one change in the world and in the Church, it would be "the acceptance of differences without condemning what we don't agree with. Respect for each other regardless of different beliefs – peace, basically."

Please give to our Annual Appeal. Be generous to those who have devoted their lives to fostering compassion and peace in this world.

In gratitude,



Mary Anne Powers, CND
Province Leader

PS: I realize \$50 or \$100 may be large gifts for some, while others can give more. Please know that whatever amount you give is greatly appreciated.

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Sr. Lucille Cormier, CND, has retired from decades of loving service. She is moving to the CND community at Executive House in Bridgeport, CT. ***The retired Sisters at Executive House do not receive a salary. Their Social Security payments are meager. The Congregation covers these Sisters' living expenses.***

Like Sr. Lucille, these Sisters are eager to keep giving to others. They need you to be just as giving. **Please support our Annual Appeal. *Your gift will benefit these Sisters and all the CNDs.***

Yes! I want to support Sr. Lucille, the Sisters at Executive House, and all the CNDs.

Please accept my one-time gift of \$50 \$100 \$250 \$500 I prefer to give \$_____

Please enroll me in the Visitation Companions program with a monthly gift of

\$10 \$15 \$25 \$50 \$100 I prefer to give \$_____

Please accept

My check made payable to the Congregation of Notre Dame

My credit card Visa MasterCard American Express Discover

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Signature	Telephone	Email

My/Our gift is in honor/memory of _____.

I would like my/our gift to remain **anonymous** (your name will not appear in our Honor Roll).

My/Our Special Intentions are on the back of this form.

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- To provide a gift of stocks or a bequest, please call our Mission Advancement Office at 203-762-4309.
- For matching gifts, please enclose your company's matching gift form.

Please return this form in the enclosed reply envelope.

Our Annual Appeal runs from July 1st through June 30th every year.

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