

# All over the world.

The Congregation today has reached four continents. The oldest (since 1851) and still largest group of Sisters, about 300, are in Germany. General as well as German Provincial Leadership reside in the original Motherhouse in Dern-bach.

You will find the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ at:

- Netherlands (since 1859)
- USA (since 1868)
- England (since 1876)
- India (since 1970)
- Mexico (since 1988)
- Brazil (since 1993)
- Kenya (since 2000)
- Nigeria (since 2006)

After Nigerian woman had been coming to Germany for formation 2001, the first house in Nigeria was founded in Owerri, Imo State 2006. There the social work and rehabilitation of abandoned and street children started. A second centre and formation house was built in Garam, Niger State in 2007.

In 2008, a convent was opened in Ifetedo, Osun State. Health care in mobile clinics and work with poor children goes on in all three places.

# Sowing and harvesting.

What can one person do against the sufferings, the injustice, the problems of a whole world?

Be it a millionaire with access to all the resources, all available knowledge, even then that person alone cannot do it.

Yet God keeps calling people to lead his poor out of bondage. And God being almighty, prefers the weak to help the weak. With God's grace, incredible changes can be achieved, if only God finds willing and generous souls, who are ready to commit themselves totally, to live in His service.

Mother Maria Katharina was ready to be called and to be sent. In founding her Congregation the **Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ**, she planted the seed. It is still growing...

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## Serving the Lord in His people



# Hope



## Some History...

1851

Foundation of Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ through Katherine Kasper of Dernbach/Germany

1978

Beatification of Katherine Kasper

„It is a great privilege to be a Poor Handmaid of Jesus Christ, to serve the good God through every thought, word and deed.“

(Maria Katherine Kasper)

## About the work of the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ.

In the more than 150 years of its existence, the Congregation through its Sisters has helped relieve the suffering in the world.

- The Sisters have cared for the sick in their homes, and still do...
- They have founded hospitals, and they still work in all areas of health care, including the old, the mentally sick, the dying, and they still do ...
- They have cared for the orphans and the lost children, for the handicapped and the unwanted, and they still do ...
- They have taught children and youth in a variety of schools, and still do...
- They have spread the good news as missionaries, in retreat work and in counselling, in pastoral and parish ministry, and they still do ...
- They have lived and still live in communities, helping each other truly to live out their commitment as

**POOR HANDMAIDS OF JESUS CHRIST.**



strong in faith

