



Human warmth and shared joy at H.E.P.

We live in an economically depressed country where wages are so minimal they barely allow enough for survival. At *l'Hôpital l'Espérance de Pilate (H.E.P.)* we do not let any opportunity go by without telling our employees how important they are to us and how valuable they are to us. Every last Thursday of the month, we celebrate birthdays, in May Nurses' Day and Mothers' Day, and in June Father's Day, to name a few.





On Friday, May 26th, in honor of all the mothers of H.E.P., we had a beautiful Eucharistic celebration in the auditorium of *l'hôpital Espérance* which was celebrated by Father Marcel Janvier, CSC. Father Janvier urged them to take their work seriously and to be responsible mothers. A special blessing was given to all H.E.P. mothers.



Following the Eucharistic celebration, a panel shared on "being a mother and employee of the H.E.P." which was very enriching. A few of the mothers were honored and this was followed by a light lunch that we enjoyed together. It is beautiful to experience this human warmth and shared joy at H.E.P.

Dadeline Jean, CSC



Congratulations to Sister Élodie, CSC



Friday, April 28, 2017 was a day of celebration, a day of thanksgiving for our sister, Élodie Guiré. After three years of intense and demanding studies, Élodie received her Bachelor's Degree in Pastoral Theology from the *Collège universitaire des Dominicains*. A group of Sisters of Holy Cross, including Sister Kesta, Sister Raymonde, and Élodie's companions in her local community, celebrated with her this evening of

gratitude.

Arriving from Burkina Faso September 26, 2014, Élodie was to take courses that would result in obtaining a certificate. However, God's plans challenged her to extend her stay and her studies to graduate with a Bachelor's Degree which required three years of studies and internships.

Many challenges presented themselves all at the same time: insertion into another culture, academic adjustments to the demands of the Dominican curriculum, entering an intercultural local community, not to mention the changing seasons!

Élodie is not one to be discouraged or slowed down ... she is a valiant daughter of Basile Moreau who believes in her mission as a student and the mission that awaits her upon her return home.

Her academic background included courses in Pastoral Formation, Liturgy, Theology, Bible Studies, Spirituality and Personal Growth.



A seven-month internship with women who struggle for greater respect and dignity enabled her to embody the charism of Holy Cross and to recognize herself as a daughter of our Founder's lineage.



A wish from her Academic Advisor expresses well the service to which Élodie is called and to whom we offer blessings from the heart:

"Dear Élodie,

"Basil of Caésaréa insists on the role of the Spirit in the Church. It is the Spirit's work ... And thanks to the diversity of the gifts of the Spirit, we

become a spiritual edifice ... by approaching the Lord, the living stone ... chosen and precious before God.

May you bear witness to the gifts of the Spirit who, in you and through you, will continue God's work in the Church."



Congratulations! "Good Mission!"
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Your sisters in Holy Cross



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