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“Whoever welcomes a child like this in my name welcomes me.”

Matthew 18:5

Dear Friends,



-- Nine-year old Emily wanted to become involved in helping students in the Dominican Republic receive a good education. On her own she raised enough support to send 4 students to Colegio Santa Cruz. She also asked members of Trinity Church, Norfolk, Nebraska to provide school supplies, and they responded in a positive manner.

-- Rachel, a college student from North Carolina, also heard a call to help students in the DR. She established a program called DREAM that she promoted within St. Paul's Church. She raised \$4,800 in scholarships for students at Colegio Monte de Transfiguracion.

-- Tim (alias), a high-school student in the Diocese of Michigan, also wanted to help. He decided to collect aluminum cans which he then sold to recycler. In a year's time, he raised enough money for 3 scholarships.

In the 14 years of the scholarship program, over 6,000 students from poor families have been supported by friends in the United States. Without the dedicated support of young people and adults, Dominican Episcopal schools and students would not have received over \$1 million in support.

Last year, scholarships came from California, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, New York, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, and Ecuador and Japan.

Virginia with 121, Florida with 106, South Carolina with 105, and Nebraska with 100 student scholarships provided the most support last year.

The new school year has started. As the result, the search for scholarship supporters is underway. This year 705 students are hoping to receive a scholarship of \$300 for one year. For the last three years, we have had great difficulty receiving enough sponsors. Given the economic conditions, this year will be no different.

For this reason, we are so very grateful that these three young Christians made a commitment to help students whose only way out of poverty is a good education. Please consider sponsoring a student(s). If you want to help a student, inform me at bobsnow_2000@yahoo.com. Let me know if you want a specific student or a student from a favorite school.

Send your scholarship checks to The Dominican Development Group, P.O. Box 661, Ellenton, FL 34222. You can also contribute on-line through www.dominicandevlopmentgroup.org using your PayPal account or credit card. In both cases you can designate the school and student name (if known). Please note on the check "Scholarship Fund".

Some of you have informed me that you would like to sponsor a student. This year we are late in mailing out students' photographs and biographies. Thank you for your patience. We hope to have your students to you by the end of November.

*In His Service
The Rev. Deacon Cannon Bob Snow, Coordinator
Scholarship Program*

