

FEDERATION OF THE SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH OF CANADA
RESOURCES FOR
THE GLOBAL COORDINATING GROUP PRAYER CALENDAR

During the **SECOND** week of June we *listen to the heart of the world* and hold the Sisters of St. Joseph and the people of **GHANA** in our prayer.



Ghana is a unitary presidential constitutional democracy; located along the gulf of Guinea and the Atlantic Ocean, in the sub region of West Africa. Spanning 238,535 km, Ghana is bordered by the Ivory Coast in the west, Burkina Faso in the north, Togo in the east and the Gulf of Guinea and Atlantic Ocean in the south.

The first permanent state in the territory of present-day Ghana dates back to the 11th century. Numerous kingdoms and empires emerged over the centuries, of which the most powerful was the kingdom of Ashanti. Beginning in the 15th century, numerous European powers contested the area for trading rights, with the British ultimately establishing control of the coast by the late 19th century. Following over a century of native resistance, Ghana's current borders were established by the 1900's as the British Gold Coast. It became independent of the United Kingdom on March 6, 1957.

Ghana's population of about 29 million spans a variety of ethnic, linguistic and religious groups. Five percent practice traditional faiths, 67.2% adhere to Christianity, and 23.6% are Muslim. Its diverse geography and ecology ranges from coastal savannahs to tropical rain forests. Accra is the capital of Ghana.

Ghana's president is both head of state and head of the government. Its growing economic prosperity and democratic political system have made it a regional power in West Africa. It is a member of the non-aligned Movement, the African Union, and the Economic Community of West African States, Group of 24 (G24), and the Commonwealth of Nations.

(Information from Wikipedia)



Lake Volta is the largest reservoir in the world. It drains into the gulf of Guinea and the Atlantic Ocean.

SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH

The Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Lyon have 4 sisters ministering in Ghana.

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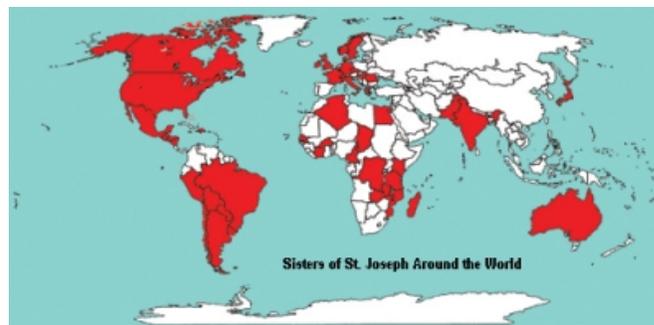
Sisters Rojamani, India responded to on November 22nd for the Bicentenary the Lyon web site)



Mary Chacko and Ditty from this call and left their country 2008 for Ghana. It was a gift Year celebrations. (Photo from



CLOSER to Home: Mabel St. Louis, Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph in Canada, served as a nurse with the Ghana Red Cross in 1996.



United in prayer, the Global Joseph Family, 11,000 sisters in 54 countries, listening to the heart of the world.