



# Introducing... Our First-Year Novices

## Blessing Ochekawo Abah

**Born: 8 November 1984**

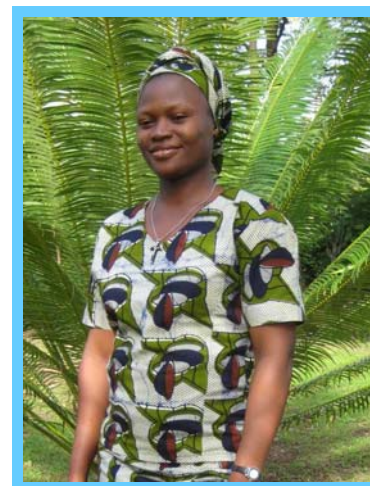
**Rivers State, Nigeria**

*Work Experience:* Teaching at St. John's Little Angel Nursery and Primary School, Ichama in Benue State.

*Interests:* Listening to gospel music, singing, dancing, reading, praying

watching good movies, listening to news and traveling.

*I chose the Society because* of the sisters' humility, simplicity, love, joy and their service to God and humanity.



## Mary Nguamo Alexander

**Born: 14 May 1983**

**Jos, Plateau State, Nigeria**

*Work Experience:* In a supermarket and soap depot, I worked with Unity Multi-purpose Co-operative organization, teaching in Ganaka International School for Special Education, and Volunteer activities-PACA, Holy

Childhood and Teenage Girls.

*Interests:* Praying, reading, listening to music, news, watching good movies and knitting.

*I chose the Society because* of the spirituality of Mother Cornelia Connelly and the Society's mission statement.



## Felicity Amikiya

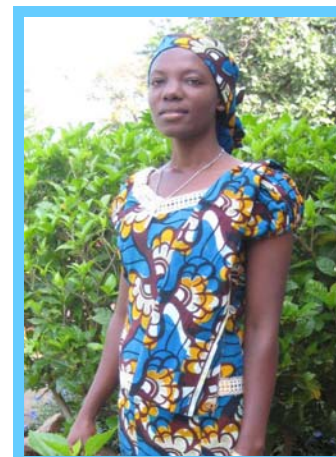
**Born: 12 April 1982**

**Upper Region, Ghana**

*Work Experience:* Teaching in a primary school and in a junior secondary school in the Upper East Region.

*Interests:* Listening to gospel music, singing and reading interesting novels especially in French.

*I chose the Society because* of the name: Holy Child Jesus, the simplicity, charity, joy and above all the manner of prayer of the sisters.



## Perpetua Amikiya



**Born:** 12 April 1982  
**Upper Region, Ghana**

**Work Experience:** Teaching in a primary school and later a junior secondary school, in the Upper East Region Ghana.

**Interests:** Singing, gospel songs, reading literature especially French

books, having time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, visiting friends and relations.

*I chose the Society because* I love its spirituality, admire the sisters' simplicity, humility, charity and joy. I also admire its charism.

## Victoria Chinasa Asogwa



**Born:** 26 July 1974  
**Enugu State, Nigeria**

**Work Experience:** Attending to retreatants at Tabor Carmelite Retreat Center, Nsukka, for four years; I taught at St. Catherine's Secondary School, Nsukka for seven months.

**Interests:** Playing games, cooking and decorating.

*I chose the Society because* of the sisters' simplicity, humility and maturity.

## Stellamaris Chidinma Chinagorom



**Born:** 20 October 1973  
**Imo state, Nigeria**

**Work Experience:** National Youth Service Corps one year, teaching in Ahiaeke Primary School, Umuahia for six months.

**Interests:** Singing, reading educative books, listening to music and news.

*I chose the Society because* of the sisters' simplicity and spirituality

## Leilany Dávila



**Born:** 29 July 1974  
**San Juan, Puerto Rico**

**Work Experience:** St. Edmond's Home for Children in Rosemont, Pennsylvania and *Concilio* (Council of Spanish-Speaking Organizations Inc.) Philadelphia.

**Interests:** Music, reading and exercising

*I chose the Society because* of the unique and simple style of the sisters and the importance of helping others to become what God wants them to be.

## Catherine Gifted Ifeanyichukwu Elias



**Born: 8 February 1984**  
**Enugu State, Nigeria**

**Work Experience:** Cashier in a supermarket. I also taught in Apostolic Nursery and Primary School in Jos.

**Interests:** Playing table tennis, football, volleyball, drawing and designing.

*I chose the Society because* of the sisters' spirit of simplicity, joy, charity and their unconditional love for humanity.

## Asabe Gaiya



**Born: 9 October 1978**  
**Kaduna State, Nigeria**

**Work Experience:** Six years working as a bursar at Our Lady of Fatima Girls' College, Kaduna, two years teaching in St. Mary's Nursery and Primary School, Kaduna, one year working with Abumec

Pharmacy as a cashier, Kaduna.

**Interests:** Reading, praying, listening to music, learning new skills and playing indoor games.

*I chose the Society because* of the life of Cornelia Connelly and her charisma.

## Genevieve Ebere Ibedu



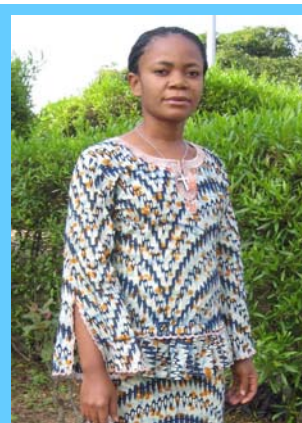
**Born: 31 July 1981**  
**Anambra State, Nigeria**

**Work Experience:** Teaching in St. Patrick's Secondary School, Onitsha. I worked with WEMA Bank PLC, Abuja, Environmental Awareness Initiative, an NGO (as a coordinator) and National Assembly, Abuja (as an editor).

**Interests:** Singing, cooking, reading, writing, traveling, listening to classical music, decorating and playing the keyboard.

*I chose the Society because* of its spirituality, apostolate and mission, I chose the SHCJ so as to join hands with the sisters in meeting "the wants of the age" especially that of the girl child, in order to share with them the experiences and holistic training I gained as a young girl at Holy Child School, Marian Hill, Calabar.

## Etiene-Obong Emmanuel Ndah



**Born: 8 September 1985**  
**Akwa Ibom State, Nigeria**

**Work Experience:** I worked with Catholic Girls, Ekim Parish and in Uduak's sewing and decoration designs.

**Interests:** Singing, dancing and craft.

*I chose the Society because* of the sisters' life style.

## Lilian Obianuju Ohayawa (Uju)

**Born: 8 June, 1981**

**Enugu State, Nigeria**

*Work Experience:* I taught in Rose of Sharon Academy in Jos, Scholar's Land Academy, Best Success and Prince Ultra Modern School in Kubwa, Abuja.

*Interests:* Singing, playing instruments, helping people, seeing people smile or happy, cracking jokes, listening to gospel music, praying and interacting with people.

*I chose the Society because* of its charism and mission and I feel at home with the sisters.



## Juliana Uzoma Okafor

**Born: 3 August 1977**

**Lagos, Nigeria**

*Work Experience:* Teaching Economics in Cardoso Secondary School, Ajegunle.

*Interests:* Listening to good music, watching movies, reading literature and cooking.

*I chose the Society because* of the sisters' simplicity, joy, love and also because of the love I have for the Child Jesus and His Mother.



## Pauline Chiamaka Okoroafor

**Born: 21 November 1987**

**Imo State, Nigeria**

*Work Experience:* I worked in Gold Cross Hospital, Lagos, as a secretary for two years.

*Interests:* Reading, traveling, doing research, watching movies and listening to Christian music.

*I chose the Society because* of the name Holy Child Jesus, the Society's apostolate and its spirit: simplicity, humility, charity and joy.



## Joy Veronica Ushie (Joy-Vera)

**Born: 4 September 1983**

**Cross River State, Nigeria**

*Work Experience:* I taught at Ungwar Mangoro Primary School, and Junior Secondary School, Samkalawa, Gusau, Zamfara State.

*Interests:* Singing, reading, traveling and listening to music.

*I chose the Society because* I love the sisters' life of simplicity.

