



The Society of the Holy Child Jesus, founded by Cornelia Connelly in 1846, is an international congregation of religious women in the Catholic Church. Inspired by the vision and spirit of Cornelia, today's members are alert to the needs of the twenty-first century and continue to reach out in service to others just as she did. The Society spans four continents, where we live our mission to rejoice in God's presence and to help people believe that God lives and acts in them and in our world. We work collaboratively with others in educational, spiritual, pastoral, social, and healthcare ministries. Wherever we are and whatever our ministry, we help people develop their gifts and talents so that they can lead meaningful lives and make a difference in the world. Our shared lives and our personal relationships with God inspire individual and corporate actions toward a more just, compassionate, and harmonious world.



Cornelia Connelly, Foundress of the Society of the Holy Child Jesus.

Our Work



Holy Child Integrated Services - Ghana

When the Society was founded in England, its first ministry was educating underprivileged children and women. Education in the Catholic tradition became the primary ministry of the community, and, with time, Holy Child schools were established across the European, American, and African continents.

The Sisters of the Holy Child Jesus are committed to compassionately advocating for those whose lives are diminished by unjust or compromised social structures or lack of access to education, services, and care.

Holy Child sisters are boldly following Cornelia's call and example by meeting the needs of our time with a love full of action wherever they serve.