

~~SAINT LUKE'S MEMORIAL HOSPITAL~~

PONCE, PUERTO RICO.

Box 417

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My dear Mrs. Lindsey:-

I wonder if I may ask your help. I fear I trouble you too much but I am sadly in need of some little things for my Junior Work. Our little group of girls are most lovable and interesting but have never done any real Junior Work. Just now I am having them do some Red Cross Work. But I am handicapped for lack of funds to buy materials. I personally bought gauze for dressings but find I can not use my own money for this as my expenses take all but \$2 a month of my salary. That is all I have left for clothes &c. So you can see how impossible it is for me to buy materials for work. Our children are very poor and we have only three or four Americans in our parish.

I wondered if you could help me by getting small pieces of fine lawn & linen any thing from 4 inches square I care use. Some of my older girls do beautiful Prots Rician lace, embroidery & drawwork. If I had small pieces they would make them into bags, sackets, handkerchiefs &c & I can find a sale for them. Then I can use the money for materials &c I also need bible pictures to use for teaching and new birthday cards.

I hope to give the ~~Sunset House~~ on the Church Lawn very soon. Please tell me where to get something suitable for boys to give.

Just as soon as possible I will send you some pictures of our children. Can you advise me as to some entertainment I can plan hurriedly to interest other children?

Yours in His Name
Mary E. Barker