



ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE STATE OF HAWAII

## DIOCESE OF HONOLULU

WITNESS TO JESUS



October 15, 2017

Dear Friends and Benefactors,

We hear it all the time, "So hard to find volunteers!"

Star Light, Star Bright is blessed to have dedicated volunteers working backstage to produce an incredible event for children of incarcerated moms!

*"The Star Light/Star Bright Program is a wonderful way to share God's love, by providing an afternoon of games and activities, food and fellowship for incarcerated mothers at WCCC and their children. Star Light/Star Bright is a major highlight the mothers at the Women's Community Correctional Center look forward to with great anticipation each year; a chance to spend quality time with their precious children for an afternoon of fun. There is joy as we see the children running into their mother's arms, and being scooped up for a long, warm embrace. The huge smiles and laughter throughout the day tell it all. The Star Light/Star Bright Program, which we are privileged to be a part of, is a powerful example of God's love shining through, especially during this holy Christmas season as we celebrate our Lord's birth."*

*~an anonymous volunteer*

Star Light, Star Bright is a collage of the many faces of Jesus! Volunteers put on a production of love for moms and their children so they can have a day of meaningful and emotional reconnection. The Neighbor Island children will have the benefit of a brief few extra hours - Friday evening Pizza with Mom and Saturday morning visitation – to be close to her, talking, laughing, hugging, and cuddling.


The Christmas party will be **Saturday, December 9, Noon-4:00 p.m.** in the Women's Community Correctional Center in Kailua.

Star Light, Star Bright functions without a budget. It is funded through donations which cover the costs of the party; airfare (the greatest expense), lodging, meals and activities for Neighbor Island families for the weekend at St. Stephen Diocesan Center.

To support the Star Light, Star Bright Christmas program, complete the Sponsor Form and e-mail or mail it to our office. Online donations can be made at [www.catholicahawaii.org/starlight](http://www.catholicahawaii.org/starlight).

For questions, call us at 203-6722 or e-mail [prisonministry@rcchawaii.org](mailto:prisonministry@rcchawaii.org).

Yours in our Merciful and Loving God,

  
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