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Reunite Us Under One Roof

Dear Brothers:

The family of a brother Knight of Columbus in District 2 (in the Ottawa Valley) is in dire need. His large family finds itself separated due to a serious medical crisis. Their three-year-old daughter needs constant care due to a brain injury suffered at birth and this situation requires more space than the rural family home can afford. Our brother's wife (and the child's mother) devotes all of her time to the daughter's care at a second residence with the help of nurses and their older daughters.

The present campaign is to raise money for a modest house addition that would provide temperature stability and the space needed for nursing staff. **This addition would allow all eleven family members to be reunited under one roof.** The fundraising target for the addition is \$150,000 by the end of this year. The Mennonite Disaster Service and local Knights will provide the labour for the construction.

Ontario State Council asks that all Grand Knights encourage their members and councils to please:

- Go to our campaign landing page at: <https://www.kofcstpatsbasilica.org/reunite-us-under-one-roof>
- say the **Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney** asking him to intercede for this little girl. The family has *a deep devotion to Blessed Michael J. McGivney* (see article by that name)
- consider a **financial contribution towards the house addition:** gofundme.com/reuniteusunderoneroof
- **share this link on social media** with your families, friends, and parishioners.
- **recommend qualified (RN, RPN) compassionate nurses** for the family to hire to assist in the child's care. Contact donald@kofcstpatsbasilica.org.

Fraternally,

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