



**All:** “We will not hide them from their descendants; we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, his power, and the wonders he has done. He decreed statutes for Jacob and established the law in Israel, which he commanded our ancestors to teach their children, so the next generation would know them, even the children yet to be born, and they in turn would tell their children (Psalm 78:4-6 NIV).”

*Leader:* As we think about the availability of Christian education in America, we must not forget the children in rural Liberia. The goal of the Liberian Children’s Ministry is to share the love of Christ through Christian education for the children of rural Liberia.

**All:** “Come, my children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord (Psalm 34:11 NIV).”

*Leader:* The goal of the proposed project is to construct two additional classrooms for the Lutheran School in Grand Gedeh, in rural Liberia. During the 2012-2013 school year over 3000 children attended the twelve Lutheran schools in rural Liberia. The work is based out of New Life Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, Indiana. New Life oversees the work and manages the finances for the Liberian Children’s Ministry.

**All:** “Assemble the people before me to hear my words so that they may learn to revere me as long as they live in the land and may teach them to their children” (Deuteronomy 4:10b NIV).

**Leader:** All funds for the work of the Liberian Children’s Ministry are raised independent of the New Life Lutheran Church budget.

**Prayer:** As we bring our mites today, let us remember the Liberian Children’s Ministry, and how we can take a part in establishing the Word of God in the hearts of the children in rural Liberia. It is through the efforts of many that the love of Christ and his promises can be shared in and through Christian education there. Be with those who are missionaries to the people of Liberia that they may continue this good work that has been established by the Lord himself. Jesus said, “*Let the Children Come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these*” (Matthew 19:14 NIV). In the Name of Jesus we pray. Amen.