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IN THE HEART OF WEST AFRICA LIES A NATION RICH IN CULTURE  
YET BURDENED BY THE WEIGHT OF POVERTY, THE SCARCITY OF  
CLEAN WATER, AND THE SHADOWS OF SPIRITUAL DARKNESS.



## The economic need is great.

- With a population of almost 9 million people, 65% are multidimensionally poor.
- The GDP per Capita in Sierra Leone is equivalent to 5% of the world's average.
- GDP per capita in Sierra Leone averaged \$555.15 USD from 1960 until 2022.

[www.tradingeconomics.com/sierra-leone/gdp-per-capita](http://www.tradingeconomics.com/sierra-leone/gdp-per-capita)

## The Biblical need is even greater!

Sierra Leone is a secular state with no official religion, and its constitution protects freedom of thought and belief. The Inter-Religious Council of Sierra Leone estimates that 77% of the population identify as Muslim, 21% as Christian, and 2% adhere to traditional African religious beliefs. The prevalence of animistic practices, the dominance of Islam, and rampant false teaching within Christian churches pose significant spiritual challenges.

**The people of Sierra Leone need to hear about the love of Jesus Christ and His forgiveness of sin! As MissionGO connects with indigenous Christian churches and local leaders to provide physical hope, hearts and minds are open to hear and respond to the Gospel.**

The work of the ministry has focused on five primary initiatives to best develop relationships with the people of the country for the purpose of sharing the Good News.







# Discipleship & Local Church Planting



MissionGO plants local churches and regularly meets with national leaders to improve Biblical training. Career and short-term missionaries empower indigenous ministries by discipling native Sierra Leonians.

### Status of this Initiative

Over 95 Christian leaders are participating in ongoing ministries of teaching and training, and over 35 congregations have connected to various ministry outreaches and programs. We've delivered over 20,000 Bibles to these congregations and other schools.





# Clean Water/ Well Drilling Ministry



Pollutants and poor sanitation are attributed to many of the health problems throughout the country, as 90% of Sierra Leoneans do not have access to clean drinking water and most households lack basic sanitation. The average life expectancy for a rural Sierra Leonean is only 56 years. One out of every ten kids in Sierra Leone dies before their fifth birthday.

### Status of this Initiative

MissionGO has reached out to over 400 communities, developing water wells that have given the villages a chance for a fresh start and an opportunity for the community to have a healthier environment.

**In each village where we provide a well, we also ask for land to plant a local church to disciple that community. We have never been turned down!**





# Children & Young Adult Education



At the end of the civil war in Sierra Leone in 2002, it is estimated that only 15-20% of teachers remained in the country. The literacy rate was less than 49% in 2022. We have been working to address critical educational needs in communities that struggle with resources and access to education. By training pastors to serve as teachers, MissionGO is meeting the shortage of qualified educators and providing spiritual guidance to the children and youth. We have also established a secondary school for girls and have repurposed abandoned buildings to serve as a new primary school for boys and girls which will teach from a Biblical worldview.

### Status of this Initiative

MissionGO has developed a network of Christian schools that meet national standards for improving literacy and teaching life skills. We now have over 2,500 children currently attending various levels of Christian education within the network, and over 600 students are graduating from our Christian high schools each year.

A strong foundation of learning, coupled with a Christian perspective of moral values and the Gospel, plays an essential role in shaping behaviors and decision-making that creates stronger futures for each student.





# Healthcare/ Medical Missions



Medical professionals from around the world come and work alongside national medical workers and develop programs that support the national health programs at the community level. MissionGO finished a project to install solar power to the Mokanji medical clinic in 2022, ensuring a reliable source of electricity for essential medical equipment and lighting. This has enabled missionaries and local healthcare providers to deliver life-saving interventions and enhance the community's resilience in emergency situations, which allows us to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ to hurting people.

### Status of this Initiative

Our medical clinic in Mokanji serves a community of 7,000 residents and offers care to 75-100 mothers on a weekly basis. The community has donated 15 additional acres to MissionGO to continue to develop the clinic, and additional solar power is needed to support the expansion.

This allows us to minister to both their physical and spiritual well-being.







# The Treehouse Ministry



The Treehouse Ministry serves at-risk girls (orphaned, abandoned, or abused)—offering tutoring at our library after the school day and offering Christian love and truth, daily meals, and clothing. This program also provides a safe haven, medical care, and educational support. These children have an easier time transitioning into junior and senior secondary schools because they can already read! We have a similar tutoring program for boys called “Hope for Tomorrow.”

### Status of this Initiative

The Treehouse Ministry has grown to 41 girls within the district, empowering these vulnerable children with knowledge of the Gospel and educational opportunities. Our program, in conjunction with other Christian ministries, has been able to deliver food security to these children.



# SUMMARY OF FUTURE NEEDS



## **Discipleship & Local Church Planting**

- Discipleship Training, Training Conferences, Transportation



## **Clean Water/Well Drilling Ministry**

- 10 New Community Wells Annually, Support Truck



## **Children & Young Adult Education**

- Building Renovations, Teacher Salaries, School Supplies
- Internet Access, Computer Technology



## **Healthcare/Medical Missions**

- Medical Equipment, Solar Power Upgrades, Roof Repairs



## **The Treehouse Ministry**

- Learning Center for Girls
  - \$480 USD Annually for Each Girl
- Hope for Tomorrow Program for Boys
  - \$480 USD Annually for Each Boy
- Girls' At-Risk Program





The need for the light of the Gospel is great in Sierra Leone. Many forces work against us daily to keep the people enslaved. You can help, first and foremost, with your prayers for these ongoing ministries and the Christians who are on the front lines. You can also support the work financially. You can share the message about this ministry and the need for more people to aid in these initiatives. You can also join those in the field to support any of these ministries! Please prayerfully consider becoming a critical partner in these initiatives. There are opportunities for individuals with all types of skills and talents in both career and short-term capacities.



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