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SIERRA LEONE MINISTRIES • A SERVICE OF GLOBAL OUTREACH MISSION

SIERRA LEONE

HAS A POPULATION OF 6 MILLION PEOPLE...

IT IS ONE OF THE LEAST DEVELOPED, LOW INCOME COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD!



The need in human terms, is great:

- 73 percent of Sierra Leone's rural population lives in poverty.
- The GDP per Capita in Sierra Leone is equivalent to 4 percent of the world's average.
- GDP per capita in Sierra Leone averaged \$455.05 USD from 1960 until 2015, reaching an all-time high of \$631.29 USD in 2014 and a record low of \$305.10 USD in 2001.

www.tradingeconomics.com/sierra-leone/gdp-per-capita

The need in biblical terms is even greater!

The religious statistics indicate:

Muslims 60%, Christian 10%, indigenous beliefs 30%.

These are really little more than statistical labels – most of the people lack any commitment to what they say they believe and are searching for answers! Christians are well received because they see us willing to help anyone who is hungry or in need of clothing or clean water.

We all need to hear about the love of Jesus Christ – His forgiveness of sin! And we see it happening every day. As we provide the basics of food, water and clothing, hearts and minds are open to hear and respond to the Gospel!

The Ministry of Global Outreach Mission, Inc. has connected with indigenous Christian churches at the community level.

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



The need for the light of the Gospel is great in this country. Many forces work against us daily to keep the people enslaved. You can help first and foremost with your prayers about these regular 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 need for more people to come to aid in these initiatives. You can also join those in the field to support any of these ministries! There are opportunities for individuals with all types of skills and talents. The opportunities can be career or short-term.

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Church Planting

We are working with national leaders in strengthening the local group of believers through continuing education and incremental development including construction projects in support of the local church.

Status of this initiative

Over 68 Christian leaders are participating in ongoing ministries of teaching and training, and over 25 congregations have connected to various ministry outreaches and programs. We expect to deliver over 10,000 Bibles to these congregations and other schools in 2017.



A young girl with dark skin and hair is carrying a large, light blue plastic bucket balanced on her head. She is looking directly at the camera with a neutral expression. She is wearing a white tank top with some faint, illegible text. The background consists of a wall with decorative, diamond-shaped lattice work in a light brown or tan color. To the right, there are horizontal wooden slats, possibly part of a fence or a structure. The lighting is natural, suggesting an outdoor or semi-outdoor setting.

Clean Water Initiative

Pollutants and poor sanitation are attributed to many of the health problems throughout the country. The average life expectancy for a Sierra Leonean is only 56 years. Overall 37% of the population lacks safe water to drink. Over 90% of people don't have access to toilets. One out of every five kids in Sierra Leone dies before their fifth birthday.

Status of this initiative

200 water wells have successfully been developed. Whenever we approach a village and offer to provide a well we ask for ground on which to build a church. We have never been turned down.





Education

We have developed a network of Christian schools which meet the standard of the ministry of education for improving literacy and training in skills to improve life choices for economic sustainability. This is accomplished through partnerships with local Christian educators in support of teachers in rural communities, construction of classrooms and becoming an advocate for any program which improves resources.

Status of this initiative

School projects have been supported in multiple districts within the country. We now have over 2500 children currently attending some level of Christian school within the networks that are connected and actively working within our ministry. There are also several hundred children that are currently in small village schools which have received one-time gifts of support for special projects to support the improvement of education at the local level.





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. Christians do all of this as a method to demonstrate God's love which opens up a relationship allowing us to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Status of this initiative

Our clinic has been reconstructed allowing public health workers a facility to serve as a community base serving over 7000 residents and an average of 150 mothers on a weekly basis. Short-term medical teams from GLOBAL HEALTH SERVICES have been able to visit this location on an annual and semi-annual basis serving an average of 500 critical need patients during each of their visits.





The Treehouse Learning Center

This ministry to girls has been developed to reach out to girls that are at risk within the culture, by providing a haven, medical and educational support as well as addressing the economic conditions within their community which could lead to their abuse.

Status of this initiative

The program is currently targeting 45 girls within one district, a library has been established, the first ever of its type in this district. During various times of crisis the program has reached out to deal with a broader range of children who are orphaned because of Ebola. We continue to monitor children at risk in any of the locations where Global Outreach Mission is connected, thus providing education for those adversely effected by the Ebola crisis. Our program in conjunction with other Christian ministries has been able to deliver support equal to over 1 million meals.



SUMMARY OF FUTURE NEEDS



Church Planting

Goal of 15 new partnership and church plants, Pastor training and youth outreach programs:

Total need \$25,000

Delivery of 10,000 Bibles

Total need \$10,000



Clean Water Projects

30 new villages' water wells: \$6,500 each

Total need \$195,000



Education

10 additional class rooms: \$8,500 each:

Total need \$85,000

Annual support for teachers and mentors: 25 at \$600 each

Total need \$15,000



Medical Missions

Medical supplies for short-term teams: \$5,500 each

Total need \$16,500



Treehouse Learning Center

Additional library resources: \$6,500 each

Total need \$3,500

Treehouse Girls at Risk Program

\$420 annually for each girl: 45 girls

Total need \$18,900