

Ruiving God's Gifts; Sharing God's Gifts

Thank the Lord and sing His praise: tell everyone what He has done. Let ev'ryone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in Joy With shouts of thanksgiving.

We sing this canticle after we receive God's gift of forgiveness found in the Lord's Supper. Where there is forgiveness there is also salvation...and for that, we respond with shouts of thanksgiving!

We also rejoice that God's gifts extend outside of the worship service through the lives of His people. Faithful servants, like you, make it possible for our LeadaChild mission to exist. Your prayers and your donations given to support our ministry enables us to 'let everyone who seeks the Lord' at our educational projects join in the rejoicing.

Our intentions as we share the love of Jesus with children are two-fold: provide quality educational experiences that enhance their welfare in this life, and create Gospel-rich environments that connect them to Christ so that they also 'bear His name' and receive the gift of salvation for the life to come.

Therefore, we thank the Lord for all the individuals who support our mission; your donations account for the majority of our yearly income. We thank the Lord for the churches, schools, and organizations that contribute as well; your partnership in the work of the Gospel is a great encouragement to us... and a greater blessing for those whom we serve.

Above all, we thank you for your regular prayers. God promises to hear them... and He definitely leads us forth in joy as we see the wonderful transformations that happen in the lives of children through the gift of a quality Christian education.

IN 2023,

CHURCHES, SCHOOLS, AND
ORGANIZATIONS PROVIDED OVER 20%
OF OUR YEARLY DONATION. WE ARE
GRATEFUL FOR THE MISSION-MINDED
LEADERS AND MEMBERS WHO VALUE
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND THE
OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE THEIR GIFTS
WITH THOSE WHOM WE SERVE!

CHURCHES

Ascension, Littleton, CO
Beautiful Savior, Olathe, KS
Emmanuel, Clayton, WI
Faith, Carpenterville, IL
Faith, Ottawa, KS
Faith, Topeka, KS
Good New Ministries, Whittemore

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Grace, McPherson, KS Grace, Iola, KS

Holy Cross, Scottsdale, AZ

Immanuel, Broadlands, IL

Immanuel, Linn, KS

Messiah, Seattle, WA

Mount Calvary, Wamego, KS

Our Father, Centennial, CO

Pilgrim Lutheran Fellowship, Mt Vernon, IL

Redeemer, Winona, MN

Salem, Salem, MO

St. Andrew, Wichita, KS

St. John, Keystone, IA

St. John's, Ellinwood, KS

St. John's, Warrenton, MO

St. John's, Tampa, KS

St. Paul, Clay Center, KS

St. Paul, Preston, KS

St. Paul's, Duluth, KS

St. Paul's, Northville, MI

Trinity, Wichita, KS

Trinity, Fergus Falls, MN

Zion, Hiawatha, KS

Thank You!

ORGANIZATIONS

Bethlehem Women's Guild, Dundee, IL Dorcas Guild Gethsemane, Northglenn, CO First Lutheran LWML, Paola, KS Mary Martha Circle Immanuel, Oakley, KS Women's Guild Immanuel, Macomb, IL Ladies Aid Immanuel, Netawaka, KS LWML Immanuel, Canton, KS Ladies Aid Society, Brownton, MN Christian Women King of Glory, Blaine, MN LWML Centennial, Superior, NE Phoebe Circle, St. Martin's, Winona, MN LWML St. Luke's, Manhattan Friendship Circle St. Paul, Clay Center, KS Ladies Aid St. Paul, Leavenworth, KS Ladies Aid St. Paul's, Preston, KS LWML St. Paul's, Ellsworth, KS LWML Trinity, Garden City, KS Women of Zion, Independence, KS Christ Crusaders Grace, Iola, KS Men's Club Christ Memorial, St. Louis, MO Ladies Circle Zion, Chanute, KS LWML Redeemer, Spokane, WA Tues Bible Study, Our Father, Centennial, Co

SCHOOLS

Hearts for Jesus, North Wisconsin District
St. Peter, Arlington Heights, IL
Immanuel, Norton, KS
Good Shepherd, Watertown, WI
Zion, Litchfield, IL
West Shore, Muskegon, WI
Trinity, Atchison, KS
St. Paul, Orange, CA
St. John, Oberlin, KS
Memorial, Houston, TX
Bethlehem, Fall Creek, WI













IN THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF GHANA,

LeadaChild sends scholarship funds, supporting children at four Christian schools: Concordia Preparatory School (Bawku), St. Andrews Lutheran School (Bunkpurugu), St. Louis Lutheran School (Nakpanduri), and Faith Lutheran School (Nasuan).





OVER HALF OF THE STUDENTS ATTENDING THESE LUTHERAN SCHOOLS

ARE MUSLIM which matches the demographics in the area. All of the parents appreciate the opportunity for their children to receive an education...and the teachers, pastors, and staff are committed to constantly share God's Word through Scripture memory, catechism lessons, devotions, and songs. It is truly a mixture of discipleship training and Christian outreach...some of the best 'evangelists' are the children who share the truth of Christ with their family members!

IN DECEMBER OF

2023, many of the teachers and pastors joined Dr. Frusti at a retreat center in Tamale for a three-day teachers' workshop. Topics included creating a Gospelrich environment, integrating the Christian faith into the curriculum, effective classroom management strategies, and addressing challenges within the current culture.







THE TEACHERS GREATLY APPRECIATED the

opportunity to learn and increase their skills as Christian educators. Most of them have received a limited amount of teacher training, and even less exposure in ways to share God's Word in a classroom setting. Our mission – to share the love of Jesus with children through Christian education – can only happen through these teachers who are called to serve at our project sites; therefore, it is vital that we continue our efforts to provide them with the educational tools to fill up their teacher tool boxes. While it is expensive and time-consuming to travel to West Africa and provide these teacher workshops, the investment is definitely worth the cost as more and more children are blessed with a quality education and daily hear the Good News of Jesus.

WE ARE THANKFUL for the individuals, organizations like LWML, and foundations who provide the means to assist with the cost of our Leadachild educator workshops! Your participation is producing wonderful fruit for God's kingdom!



IN NOVEMBER 2023, our team of LeadaChild board members and staff traveled to Panama to visit our friends and leaders at our project sites, visit a new site we will be supporting in Los Andes, and conduct a teacher training workshop for all those who serve the children.





OUR SITES

For the past few years we have been serving in the communities of Loma Coba and in Sora. The programs include opportunities for children to receive help with skills in reading and mathematics, to enjoy lessons in art...and most importantly, to hear the Good News of the Gospel through times spent in God's Word, memorizing Bible verses, learning parts of the catechism, and singing Christian hymns and songs. The new site in Los Andes, led by Deaconess Melanie Barria, offers children unique art lessons, help in mathematics, and time spent learning Bible stories.

We held our training workshop at the LeadaChild site in Sora. Our topics included effective classroom management strategies, incorporating God's Word throughout all of the curriculum, and developing collaborative efforts with fellow teachers and leaders. Approximately 35 pastors and teachers joined us for a day of learning, fun, and great encouragement.



OUR FAITHFUL WORKERS

We are thankful for Griselda, our national director in Panama. She has served as our director since 2017 as she leads the program in Loma Coba and keeps us up to date on program developments and needs in Panama.

We are thankful for Pastor Alejandro and his wife Laura who lead a wonderful educational enrichment program in Sora. They have done a marvelous job of connecting with the entire community as they meet the needs of many children through a well-designed curriculum.

We are thankful for all of our leaders and teachers in Panama who use their gifts and abilities to teach and encourage the children through effective Christian educational programs ... and as they model what it means to be a follower of Christ in their communities.



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Pray for the children and international Lutheran schools

Host a LeadaChild Sunday at your church

Sign up your school / Sunday school for our *Kids Helping Kids* program

e-news or quarterly newsletter

Give generously

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We invite your school, Sunday school, or VBS program to participate by sharing our four-part chapel program with your students and gathering offerings that support children all around the world. It's a great way to connect your students to the mission work of the Church ... and the donations help us to share the Good News of Jesus through Christian education.

ESSONS

Jesus Walks For Us: The Road to Calvary
Jesus Walks With Us: The Road to Emmaus

We Walk For Jesus: The Great Commission Road

Our Final Journey: The Road Home







