

Jabez Elementary & Junior High School Gordodin LPRC Community Ganta City, Nimba-Liberia Blessed to be a Blessing. Genesis 12:2

Blessings and Welcome to the second **Jabez Newsworthy Notes** from The USA Board of Directors of Jabez School, August, 2024.

End of Academic Year 2023-2024 Closing Ceremony on Friday, July 5. These joyful pictures of family, friends and students of Jabez Christian School remind us of the importance of the way we serve the community We are able to provide Christian education opportunities from K through Junior High thanks to the generosity and support of many people through their prayers and donations.





Liberia is on the continent of Africa. Located in Western Africa, Liberia is the oldest republic and one of the poorest. Its flag is similar to that of the United States reminding us that Liberia was founded by an American organization that resettled free African Americans and freed slaves.



Board of Directors search for new members. The Board focuses on high level strategy, oversight and accountability of the Jabez Christian School. Our core values include integrity in Christian love, sustainability of the organization, innovative leadership that is committed to our vision and mission and we are guided by a theological rationale. The Board meets a minimum of 4 times per year over Zoom giving us the flexibility of members being able to join us from anywhere. The picture shows the Jabez School flag.

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Projects Underway in Preparation for the Academic Year 2024-2025:

Courtyard Renovation. Erosion is causing serious problems on the school campus. Liberia experiences heavy rainfall every year and the current rainy season has caused the school court-yard to be full of ruts and mud everywhere. A group of volunteers worked with Rev. Jakes to repair the damage. Then new drainage pipes and gutters will prevent damage caused by erosion between the buildings. It will also improve the cleanliness of the facilities. This picture illustrates the severity of the problem.





Manual Sewing Machines. In addition to the academic curriculum, Jabez Christian School offers vocational training for students. There is a program in place using electric sewing machines to teach the skills necessary to become tailors. We have observed that beginning skills on a manual or pedal machine are a much easier way to start the learning process. We will buy several manual machines and open this up to the public, charging a minimal fee to supplement our income.

Student Sponsorship. The new academic year begins the first week of September. Would you consider sponsoring a student? We are seeking \$50, \$75 and \$100 scholarships to cover some or most of the tuition needs of the students. At least 75% of the students' families cannot afford to meet the total cost of tuition. We encourage families to contribute as their means permit with the intention of developing the joy of self-sufficiency.



Other needs calling for our attention. The World Food Organization is supplying enough food, prepared by our staff, for 4 lunches per week for 160-180 people. For that we are very grateful. Yet we are not meeting our goal of a very nutritious meal each day for our students and staff. Donations would help us make this program better.

We are examining the possibility of expanding a couple of programs which would required additional gear and supplies. And replacements for programs in place are always needed.

Our buildings are in need of some maintenance which is necessary in order to keep Jabez a viable place for excellent academic education within a spiritual environment plus vocational training. The amount required to correct these needs is \$1000 American dollars.

Your donation to Jabez Christian School can be earmarked for any of these projects or as a general donation. We are a 501(c)3 organization. Being in mission with Jabez School, no matter how small or large, is one way we who believe in the power of God's love can be in service as instruments to mold, shape, and transform children's lives. And to God goes the Glory. Make checks payable to Jabez Christian School.

Send donations to:

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