



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

*Blessings and Welcome to **Jabez Newsworthy Notes** from the USA Board of Directors of Jabez School, February, 2026*



**Theological Rationale for the development of Jabez
Christian School**

In the name of the Lord, who called and equipped us with talents and resources to mold minds, transform lives, and shape the future so that God's generosity will be experienced in the lives of people.

At Jabez the value of cooperation is emphasized for children and adults as well as the value of partnership between Jabez and other organizations. An opportunity presented itself early in our history when Friendship International of Beaver Dam, Wisconsin offered to share a container they were shipping to Liberia. We were able to send items for Jabez School for a very small cost compared to the usual ways of shipping. This allowed us to do more with the funds that we had.

Recently the Liberian Assistance Program (LAP) of Madison reached out to Rev. Jakes to seek his advice on some of their programs in Liberia. He met with their board several times before he left for Liberia in 2024 to learn about their programs. They include the Obama School that LAP built in 2011 and the work they do in Gbonkonimah, the village where Judy Reed, the LAP Board chair, served as a Peace Corps volunteer in the 1960s.

LAP asked Rev. Jakes if he could be their representative in Liberia -- visiting the principals and staff of the Obama School and the Tubman School once or twice a year and sharing his observations and thoughts about what he learned from those visits. He agreed to do so and has already visited both schools twice.

In thanks for Rev. Jakes's help, LAP has contributed scholarships for students at Jabez for the past two years.

With LAP we have a friend with similar goals and a similar heart. Knowledge sharing leads to better outcomes and stronger teams. **We thank God for the cooperation found with the Liberian Assistance Program.**

Inservice for Teachers at Jabez

Jabez worked closely with the NGO Edify to provide an inservice training day for our teachers. Edify aims to improve and expand Christ-centered education globally. They offer key resources to schools and teachers to increase sustainability, improve infrastructure and enhance learning outcomes.

Edify led a six hour training session for our teachers addressing the topic of technology education. The training stressed the important roles technology plays in our current digital world as well as the need for educators to take technology seriously to include it in all of the academic classes. Using technology well helps prepare our students for living in today's world, even in a country as impoverished as Liberia. The inservice included both the positive and negative aspects of technology and the strong need to supervise our students so as to minimize wrong usage, possibly leading to being victimized.



Except for the lunch, Edify covered all the other costs. Jabez has requested the return of Edify to address the infrastructure of our computer lab. Jabez is committed to staff development and partnering with Edify which is another example of cooperation which strengthens our academic environment.



To touch the lives of children like these, mail donations made payable to Jabez Christian School, a 501c(3) organization, to: Jerry Andersen (Board Treasurer), 6420 W. Hwy G., Caledonia, WI. 53108. Thanks!



Update: The watertower that was installed about a year ago is working well. The students at the school as well as the members of the community surrounding the school have been blessed with the water they needed. We thank those who helped through their donations. And we give God the Glory!!