



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, March, 2026*

The kindergarten class at Jabez are wearing their new Physical Education sweatsuits.



Jabez has a required dress code for all students. You will notice the sweatsuits are purple which is a school color seen in the school flag and on the school building behind the class in this picture. The upper grade students are allowed to wear shorts and T-shirts for P.E. However the parents of the kindergarten class chose the sweatsuits for their children.

The children are happy to have these colorful sweatsuits as it makes them feel special, especially on campus.

Interestingly, studies show that school uniforms nurture cohesiveness, encourage team building, help bridge the social-economic gap and promote positive behavior.

Many of the children in this picture are recipients of a scholarship from the Liberian Assistance program out of

Madison, Wisconsin. The primary goal of any of the programs/classes at Jabez is to ensure that children of all ages are afforded the opportunity to benefit from the schools Christ-centered environment. The physical education program offers great opportunities to practice life skills. The P.E. class is part of the National Government Education Program and is required of all schools.. Children exercise twice per week. Chalk boards and written materials are produced by the government for use in the classroom. When asked what equipment is needed, all the teachers are saying a movie projector would be helpful.

Words from a teacher. One of the current teachers, Mr. Emmanuel Konlebo Jr is a former graduate of Jabez School. He is currently completing his college courses and hopes to continue with Jabez upon graduation. Mr. Konlebo Jr. told Rev. Jakes that *“he sees being one of the teachers at Jabez as a way of giving back to the school and the community, both of which have contributed to his formation into the person he is now and looks forward to becoming.”* *“Mr. Konlebo Jr., we give you thanks for teaching the precious students at Jabez”, USA Board of Directors.*

In the picture you see the children learning how to grow potatoes and cucumbers in the school vegetable garden. One way the children at Jabez learn



about local agriculture is through experiences in the school vegetable gardens. These locally grown crops were chosen because of their strong resistance to the hot and very heavy rain conditions.

The cucumbers, growing on vines, are harvested each year. They are eaten fresh as much as possible and the extras are sold for cash. The potatoes have two sources of nutrition.

The greens, leaves of the potatoes, are used in soup or are put on rice by the school's cooks. The potato plant is also tuberous and can be harvested and eaten.

Agriculture provides the main livelihood for almost half of the workforce in Liberia. Most of that farming is subsistence farming which grows some produce for individual families. The larger plantations produce rubber, cocoa, coffee, palm oil and sugar cane. Liberia's President, Joseph Boakai, is seeking to revitalize Liberia's agricultural sector, which is crucial for the country's economy and food security. At this time at least 60% of the staple foods like rice are imported.

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