



Sharing God's Gifts

Compartiendo los Dones de Dios

Kugawana Zawadi za Mungu

Gifts that Change Lives

In partnership with our
Brothers and Sisters
in El Salvador and the Meru Diocese of Tanzania

The Gift of Health

The Tanzanian Lutheran church operates the Nkoaranga Hospital. Although the hospital provides essential services, it is rebuilding after a period of financial hardship. As part of their efforts to improve, they have hired a professional hospital administrator from Belgium to lead them through the process and train her successor.



\$50 – a day's salary for the hospital administrator (MMH1)

\$50 – a week's salary for a nursing assistant at the hospital (MMH2)

\$70 – a week's salary for an RN (MMH3)

\$150 – a week's salary for a doctor (MMH4)



\$25 – a share in an X-ray machine for the hospital. Currently patients must travel a considerable distance on rough roads before and after surgery for any x-rays. **(MMH5)**

A German Rotary Club has committed to purchasing the machine itself, but there will be considerable costs in replacing the transformer and training the x-ray technician



The first Mission of Healing in El Salvador took place in 2000. In the years to follow, this partnership between the Greater Milwaukee Synod and the Salvadoran Lutheran Church has grown and flourished. Today, there are two Missions of Wellness that occur every year, around February. Health care providers from the US and El Salvador work together to provide medical care to underserved populations.

\$2 – a year’s worth of fluoride treatments for a child (ESH1)

\$14 – toothpaste and toothbrushes for a family (ESH2)

\$13 – half of a case of acetaminophen (ESH3)

\$8 – 10 bottles of eye drops (ESH4)

\$5 – 5 pairs of reading glasses (ESH5)

\$15 – a month’s worth of prenatal vitamins for an expectant mother (ESH6)

\$18 – bus fare for a family to travel to the nearest Mission of Wellness (ESH7)

\$10 - to help a patient who needs lab tests (ESH8)

\$15 - to help a patient who needs follow-up treatment (ESH9)

The Gift of Water

The Greater Milwaukee Synod has partnered with Groundwater Tanzania and the Meru Diocese to develop sustainable sources of safe drinking water.

The current project is developing a system to transport water from an active spring to the town of Kikwe.



\$6 – per foot of pipe for the Kikwe water project (MMW1)



The Gift of Agriculture

\$60 - a pig for a family in El Salvador; including a credit for feed and veterinary care from the Agroferreteria **(ESA1)**

\$150 - a goat, with 3 months of feed and support for a woman in Tanzania (MMA1)

The Meru Dairy Goat Project gives goats to widows and women caring for orphans to provide nutrition through milk that is high in protein and much needed fats. Since 2010, over 250 goats have been provided to women in small cooperatives that work with Mama Marcy Mariki and a local extension worker. Dairy goats not only provide a good source of nutrition for families, but the goat project is also a means of social support that brings together women who are often isolated by their poverty. In addition to coordinating the gift of the first kid to others waiting to receive a goat, each group has also begun a savings cooperative to provide one another small loans. The group decides how their accumulated savings will be used.





\$6 – a laying hen for a family in El Salvador (ESA2)

\$4 – a rooster for a family in El Salvador (ESA3)

\$10 – for a pair of chickens to begin a flock for a family in El Salvador. This will allow them to breed the birds for food for their families, and as a source of income. **(ESA4)**

\$9 – a collection of seeds to create a vegetable garden for a family in El Salvador (ESA5)

\$14 – a cacao tree for a family in El Salvador (ESA5)



The Gift of Environmental Sustainability



Deforestation is a serious issue in Tanzania, but the Lutheran Church in Tanzania has embraced reforestation as a goal. Reforestation protects the environment, prevents landslides, and provides economic sustainability.

\$4 – a tree for the reforestation project (MMES1)

The Gift of Music and Education



\$200 - a key on a grand piano (MMME1)

This will be the first concert grand piano in East Africa. This is part of a much larger project, the creation of the first university level Cultural Arts Centre (CAC) in the country. The CAC provides education, employment, and allows traditional art forms to thrive and flourish. A share of a piano key can also be purchased.

The Stubbs Family has been working as missionaries in Tanzania since 2006. They have been working at Tumaini University Makumira heading up the music department, the only music school in all of Tanzania. Their goal is to work themselves out of a job as they educate their replacements.



A gift of any amount to support the Stubbs family and the Tumaini University Makumira and the Cultural Arts Centre. (MMME2)

The church at San Jorge, El Salvador offers guitar classes in the community. This program provides all of the educational benefits of instrumental music education, but more importantly provides the youth a place to go to escape the reaches of the gangs. The guitar students provide the music for church services every Sunday.



\$20 - a month's salary for Misael, the guitar teacher (ESME1)

\$60 – a guitar for a student (ESME2)

\$9 - a set of replacement strings (ESME2)

\$7 – a school uniform for a child in Tanzania (MMME3)

\$11 – school supplies for a child in Tanzania (MMME4)

**\$42 – school lunches for a year for a child in Tanzania
(MMME5)**

**\$60 – year's total expenses for a student in Tanzania
(MMME6)**



The Gift of Church

**Our sister parish in El Salvador is in need of a security
fence. (ESC1)**

**Our sister parish in Mount Meru is need of a roof.
(MMC2)**

Contributions in any amount to either building fund
will be greatly appreciated.

The Greater Milwaukee Synod has agreed to support the training and salaries of
pastors and teachers in both of our companion synods.

El Salvador Pastors' Salary Endowment Fund (ESC2)
Mount Meru pastor and teacher education fund. (MMC2)

Contributions in any amount to either fund will be greatly appreciated.

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The Gift of Employment



In 1999, a coffee farmer in the Mt. Meru region asked a visiting Milwaukee pastor the simple question; “We grow coffee; you drink coffee; would you buy your coffee from us?” With an answer of “Yes”, the Mt. Meru Coffee Project was born. It brings together a fair price for the farmers and a quality coffee for consumers.

\$4 – to import of 1 pound of fair trade coffee (MMJ1)

The Agroferreteria (Hardware Store) is a project of our sister parishes in El Salvador. The first hardware store opened in 2010. Since then, two more branches have opened. The stores provide living wage employment, a safe place for boys to hang out after school, a source of income for church expenses, and sells necessities at an honest price to the people in the community. Plans are underway to open a new branch of the Agroferreteria. We want to help them build their inventory for the new store.



Shovel - \$9 (ESJ1)

Chicken Feed – \$27 (ESJ2)

Cat Food – \$18 (ESJ3)

Paint - \$12 (ESJ4)

Hammer – \$7 (ESJ5)

Dog Food – \$23 (ESJ6)

Cement Mix – \$9 (ESJ7)

Chicken Wire – \$37 (ESJ8)

Pig Feed – \$27 (ESJ9)

PVC Pipe - \$15 (ESJ10)

Cement Mix – \$9 (ES11)

ORDER FORM

Quantity*	Item Number	Item	Cost per Item	Sub-Total
Total Amount Due				

*Quantity does not need to be a whole number. A fraction or percent to contribute to a more expensive project is also appreciated.

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