

St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church, New Ulm, MN August, 2023 *Fortress* 

## In View of God's Mercy...

As of this writing, St. John's is running a \$62,000 deficit. That's a big deficit. How did we get here? Well, the simple answer is decreased revenue and increased expenses. We've added a lot of students at St. Paul's, each of which come with a big price tag (if we wish to continue our current level of support to parents). Add to that increased support staff at the school, and higher costs for insurance and utilities, and the bills start adding up.

We've been behind budget in the past. But this is by far the most we've been behind in my five years here at St. John's. While we do have some reserves, we're burning through them quickly. And if we continue to have a \$20,000 deficit per month, well... we won't be able to sustain that for very long.

That might sound scary. But in Jesus, we're secure. And while it may be time to examine ways to reduce our spending and increase our income, the worst case scenario seems to be a reduction in staff. And God will take care of our Called workers too. So we'll all be okay.

That being said, could we increase our giving? Sure we could increase our giving out of necessity, out of fear that one of our pastors really might need to start a tent ministry, out of shame that we're not meeting our budget, or out of pride, thinking "We can do this! We can fix the problem!" But none of that would be pleasing to God. You know that, "God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Corinthians 9:7). But what makes a cheerful giver?

#### Let's turn to Romans 12...

Paul begins this section of his epistle to the Romans with this line: "Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship." (Romans 12:1) Normally I'd say "Whenever you see 'therefore,' find out what it's there for." But Paul tells us the "therefore" here already: "In view of God's mercy..." so we don't need to look back. Paul spent the first eleven chapters of this epistle describing God's mercy to undeserving sinners like us. So let's review some great passages anyway...

- "All are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus." (Romans 3:24)
- "The promise comes by faith, so that it may be by grace and may be guaranteed..."
  (Romans 4:16)

- "We have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." (Romans 5:1)
- "God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8)
- "The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 6:23).
- "Thanks be to God, who delivers me through Jesus Christ our Lord!" (Romans 7:24)
- "There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus." (Romans 8:1)
- "We are more than conquerors through him who loved us." (Romans 8:37)

Over and over again Paul highlights the grace and mercy that God had shown to him and shows to us! "Therefore..." "in view of God's mercy..." We can't help but respond to such mercy, to such grace!

Old Testament believers would offer a sacrifice; they would take an animal and slaughter it, giving its life in thanks to God. We do something similar. But our sacrifices are "living sacrifices." That is, we don't die for Jesus. But we live for him. Our lives are dedicated to serving him in gratitude for the mercy and grace he's given to us. And in verses 6-8 Paul gets specific:

"We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is... serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously..."

We are to use the gifts that God has given us: our time, our skills, our unique personalities, and yes, our finances to express our gratitude to God for the greater gifts that he's given us in Christ: Forgiveness, peace with God, and heaven. "For [we] know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for [our] sake he became poor, so that [we] through his poverty might become rich." (2 Corinthians 8:9)

Yes, \$62,000 is a big deficit. But the debt we owed to God was infinitely more. And he paid that debt with the blood of his own Son, Jesus. We are debt free before God! And that makes us eager to "give generously..." "in view of God's mercy."

Thank you, brothers and sisters, for your generous support of our ministry here at St. John's and the ministry we share to reach around the globe with the message of God's grace and mercy! With God's help we'll not just maintain our ministry but even expand it as we reach more souls together! To God be the glory!

Your brother and servant in Christ, Pastor Guenther

## **August Sermon Texts**

August 6	Ephesians 2:19-22	75th Anniversary Services: 8 and 10 am Guest Preacher: Pastor David Kolander
August 13	Matthew 14:22-33	Take Courage in Jesus
August 20	Ephesians 2:13-22	Near and Far
August 27	Matthew 16:13-20	Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God

## Bible Classes meet in the Church Basement The class can also be found online at bit.ly/SJBibleClass

## **Council Digest**

The St. John's Church Council met on July 18. A summary of reports and actions not reported elsewhere in the *Fortress* follows:

#### **Ministrations**

#### **Transfers Out**

Kaitlyn Roux to Divine Peace, Upper Marlboro, MD Malachi Schwark to Courtland, Courtland, MN

#### **Pastoral Acts**

#### Marriage

8 Jul Bethany Uher and Orie Thomford

#### **Baptism**

24 Jun Harrison George Landkammer

25 Jun William Perry Gieseke

The president discussed the plan for a new ad hoc committee to consider budget areas for efficiency and savings. This is in reaction to a concerning trend of increasing budget shortfalls over the past three years. The thought is that it will be helpful to explore any possibilities on the expense side before directing the congregation to increase offerings on the income side. The committee will include the treasurer, the bookkeeper, an Elder, a Stewardship Board member, and a BYoE member. The president and pastors will serve as ex officio members.

Deacon Brad Price and Assistant Deacon Luke Hunter reported 872 baptized and 708 communicant members. The report highlighted a preparation plan for new deacons and medical training on the new AED machines. This training so far is being coordinated for our leaders and ushers so that they can be responsive to congregation needs.

#### **Board Reports**

Evangelism Board chair Jesse Zahrt updated the council members on the St. John's website and app.

The new St. John's website is up and running - check it out: stjohnsnewulm.com Many thanks to Jamie Milbrett for all the hours he's poured into getting the new site up, running, and monitored.

We've decided not to continue with the app. It was originally begun to see how it may benefit our members and prospects. Due to drastically increasing costs and the rather low benefit it provided, it was decided not to continue with it as of June.

The annual waterpark fellowship in Sleepy Eye had 124 attendees. The board hopes to have this number grow in the coming years.

There are opportunities for Outreach & Fellowship and Audio Visual Helpers. The Fellowship Committee needs a couple of roles to be divided between individuals or a team. The Audio Visual Helpers' key role is a part of the team that records church services. Watch for more info in bulletins and the newsletter for these opportunities.

Stewardship Board chair Dan Borgwardt Relayed a wide range of ideas and topics relative to the current financial condition at St. John's. Currently, 62.8k has been borrowed from undesignated funds. Stewardship exclaimed the need to have an analysis of contributions and study the three-year trend of increasing budget shortfalls.

The Boards for Trustees and Youth and Education (BYoE) postponed their meetings until next month. The Trustees have projects planned for the removal of a dead tree on the 601 property, getting the detergent pump for the dishwasher in the kitchen, and identifying shrubs to be replaced. The BYoE is working on our student support policies and structures. Watch for further information in future *Fortress* editions and voter meetings.

#### **Council Business**

The council made two recommendations for the July voter's meeting. The council adopted the timeline for updating the St. Johns Constitution and approved the Campus Facility Task Force's proposal to renovate the sanctuary floor and pew cushions.

Future meetings:

Next regular council meeting - Tuesday, August 15, 7 pm Next voters' meeting - Tuesday, October 24, 7 pm

Submitted by Jon Schaefer, Congregational President

## **Board of Evangelism**

Looking for a way to serve that lines up with your skills and availability? The Board of Evangelism has a few opportunities we're looking for help with.

**Fellowship Activities Coordinator.** We're looking for someone who is willing and able to coordinate fellowship activities we have throughout the year. This could even be a couple people as our fellowship committee has two main areas of focus:

- Bible class coffee and treats: The main tasks are coordinating volunteers to make coffee each week, managing the sign-up for volunteers to bring treats, and placing an order once a month when St. John's hosts the treats.
- Fellowship events: The main tasks for this are reserving locations, coordinating food as needed, and being the liaison with non-St. John's parties. These events include things like the annual church picnic, church campout, swimming event, and Flandrau fellowship.

You will not be on an island tackling this by yourself. The Board of Evangelism, our Outreach team, and our Fellowship committee tag team these events. We just need someone to coordinate the activities so we are all moving in the same direction.

**Social Media Coordinator**. We're also looking for someone who can be the go-to person for posting on our accounts. You would not be responsible for generating all the content for our sites, but rather more of a facilitator we can direct people to. Various groups within our church have items they want posted and we want to make a clean path for them to do so. It's a way to serve in the pockets of time that work for you.

**Audio Visual Team**. And finally, we are looking for Volunteers who assist with streaming St. John's worship on YouTube handle about one service per month, always at 8 am on Sunday morning. After sitting in with another current member of the group until you feel comfortable with the technology, the work involves arriving about fifteen minutes early and wrapping up briefly after the morning's final hymn. Some folks prefer to work with a partner, others choose to fly solo. The current staff is generous about swapping and substituting for one another when there are unexpected schedule conflicts.

If you are interested in any of the above opportunities to serve or have questions about any of them, please reach out to Jesse Zahrt: evangelism@stjohnsnewulm.com.

## MLC Ladies' Auxiliary

St. John's is looking for someone to be the contact person for the MLC Ladies' Auxiliary.

#### Who We Are

The Martin Luther College Ladies Auxiliary is composed of women who are communicant members of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod and those in Synodical fellowship.

#### **Our Mission**

The MLC Ladies Auxiliary exists to support and enhance student life at Martin Luther College in New Ulm, MN.

#### **Our Purpose**

Our purpose is fourfold:

- To promote greater interest in Martin Luther College.
- To promote Christian fellowship among women of WELS and those in Synodical fellowship
- To give financial support to MLC by supplying funds for needed projects which are not included in the Synod budget.
- To support MLC and its students through prayer

The contact lady would be responsible for sharing information from the Auxiliary with her congregation.

#### The Auxiliary Board

The Executive Committee along with the Pastoral Advisor, the Faculty Representative, a Representative from the Board of Control, Projects Committee members, Promotion Committee members, and two representatives from each conference make up the Auxiliary Board.

#### **Committees**

- Program The Faculty Representative assists in planning the program for the annual meeting.
- Promotion Three elected conference representatives, the First and Second Vice Presidents, and the Faculty Representative coordinate all promotional activities of the Auxiliary.
- Projects Three elected area representatives, along with the Faculty Representative, coordinate all activities related to the selection and funding of projects.

To learn more, go to mlc-wels.edu/ladies-auxiliary/

## **Church Library**

August means back-to-school sales, finishing up family vacations, and enjoying God's creation in full leaf and flower. In Minnesota, the summers are short so enjoy August.

We have 3 books to introduce to our church library this month. The first is a short book of 48 pages. "When Your Baby Dies" through miscarriage or stillbirth was written by Louis Manino and Ann Taylor Cooney. Both are health providers. The book is part of the Hope and Healing Series. The 6 chapters cover early pregnancy loss, late pregnancy loss, loss for the mother, and for the father, for the families, and how to go on from there. The authors wish to offer comfort and God's help.

The second book is "Speaking the Truth in Love to Muslims" by Roland Cap Ehlke. Dr. Ehlke is a professor at Concordia University in Wisconsin and an author and editor in the "People's Bible Series." He explains the difference between Islam and Christianity. He discusses the background of Muslim beliefs, their history, and compares the Bible with the Koran. The Bible is much older and unchangeable, whereas the Koran was written in the 600's, and adjusted since then. Islam teaches that Jesus was only a prophet, he never rose, and that Abraham almost sacrificed Ismael , not Isaac. There are other misquotes from the Bible used in the Koran. This book is a good defense of Christianity versus the Koran.

The third book is titled "The Church of the Lutheran Reformation" by Conrad Bergendoff. It tells the history of Christianity and Lutheranism from the first century after Christ, until 1967, the 450th anniversary of the Reformation, in 20 chapters. The Christian church began officially in 325 AD at

the Council of Nicea, when the Nicene Creed was adopted. Through the Middle Ages the church gradually allowed various misconceptions and errors in, that became apparent to reformers, such as Jan Huss, even before Luther. Martin Luther rediscovered the Bible and the gospel, in Germany but the Reformation spread throughout Europe. At the Council of Trent in 1563, the Roman church enacted some reforms, but the Inquisition started which forced belief in the Roman church. So now in 1967 there were still two churches: the Roman church and the Protestants. What will come after this? Jesus is still the Way, the Truth, and the Life, and the world needs to know this.

What books have you read this summer? There are free bookmarks in the Return box at the church library to help keep your place in any books.

LeiLani Rahn, church librarian

#### **OWLS**

Our local MN Valley Chapter 13 OWLS (Organization of WELS Lutheran Seniors) will be holding its annual picnic on Monday, late afternoon, August 14.

The picnic will be held at the home of Gerald and Geri Steffen, 1415 N Minnesota Street, New Ulm.

You may come any time after 4 pm to socialize, with a devotion at about 4:50 pm, and a meal to follow. Geri is preparing the meal of hamburgers, brats, potato salad, and all the fixings.

If you have not indicated your attendance already, you need to contact Myron Fluegge immediately at 507-359-2424 or email at flueggemtj@hotmail.com.

## Vacation Bible School (VBS)

Vacation Bible School will be Tuesday, August 15 - Thursday, August 17 from 9 –11:30 am.

Follow the QR code to register.

Or go to bit.ly/SJvbs2023 (after paying be sure to come back to the registration page to submit the registration).

\*New This Year\* ~ There will be a potluck meal following the last day of VBS.

The donation sign up for the meal can be found at bit.ly/SJvbsMeal2023.



## Our Synod at Work

100 Missions in 10 Years: 2023-2033

Even though we have discussed the 100 Missions in 10 Years previously (including during our review of the WELS Annual Report to Members), it is worth doing so again. The Wisconsin Synod recently sent out information about the program and we would like to point out some of the highlights of that pamphlet.

There are some good thoughts from Mr. Sean Young, who is the Senior Director of Missions Operations and we would like to quote him: "Just a few short years ago, WELS Home Missions was tossing around the idea to increase awareness of Home Missions among WELS members. That conversation blossomed into what we now know as 100 Missions in 10 Years, an initiative to plant 100 new home mission churches and enhance 75 existing ministries from 2023-2033."

Mr. Young goes on to say: "What's different about this effort is the way in which it was so quickly embraced by our church body at our 2021 synod convention. Despite the known challenges, we move forward in faith."

The 2023 new home mission starts are:

- 1. Bentonville, Arkansas. Bentonville is the headquarters of Walmart and is anticipated to see 35 percent population growth in the next three years and has no current WELS presence.
- 2. Boston, Massachusetts. This mission would be modeled after church plants in Atlanta and New York City and has the potential for college and cross-cultural ministry
- 3. Cincinnati, Ohio: Beautiful Savior in Cincinnati is starting a second site just northeast of downtown, putting them closer to three colleges.
- 4. Idaho Falls, Idaho. The 11 person core group is working to understand how to best reach out to the Mormon population in a growing area.
- 5. Kalispell, Montana. A core group has been regularly gathering for worship for years and is planting a new church in a growing community 100 miles from the nearest WELS church.
- 6. Kronenwetter, Wisconsin. Five WELS churches are supporting a new mission that will be housed in Northland Lutheran High School.
- 7. Marquette, Michigan. The city serves as the hub in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan and is home to Northern Michigan University.
- 8. North Collin County, Texas. A core group of 15 is partnering to start a new church north of Dallas.
- 9. Panama City Beach, Florida. Amazing Grace is looking to start a second site in the greater Panama City Beach area.

There are also some 2023 enhancements. Enhancements at existing congregations could include calling an additional pastor or staff minister, starting a cross-cultural ministry, or restarting a church where members have renewed their effort to go with the gospel into their community. Unsubsidized status means they have access to their district mission board, mission counselor, synodical support staff, and special project funds, but do not receive direct financial support. Beautiful Savior in West Des Moines , Iowa (a restart), Christ the King in Port Charlotte, Florida, Divine Savior in Sienna, Texas, Fairview in Milwaukee, Wisconsin are enhancements, while Good Shepherd in Midland, Texas and Our Redeemer in Ladysmith, Wisconsin are unsubsidized.

Gerald Woodley

# St. John's congregation will observe its 75th Anniversary in 2023!



#### Organ Recital on Sunday, September 10 at 3 pm

Our gifted St. John's organists will provide a musical offering of thanks as they walk us through the church year in this special afternoon recital.

## MLC Service / College Choir Concert: Sunday, October 15 at 10:30 am

Our concluding event will be a special treat as St. John's member Adrian Smith directs the MLC College Choir in a portion of their fall concert program.

Services that weekend: Saturday, October 14 at 6:30 pm and Sunday, October 15 at 8 and 10:30 am.

There will be a brief presentation about the college between the Sunday services.

We are blessed to have the college so close and to have so many of its students worship and serve among us.

## **Staff Minister**

*Facilities Projects Volunteers* – The kitchen project has not yet completed the installation of the trim. The trim includes baseboard and some ceiling trim.

The Sanctuary Renovation Project will also have some volunteer opportunities. Plans include the painting of the white portion of the side walls in preparation of adding new floor tile and refinishing the pews. It will be beautiful when complete! As flooring is to extend into the two storage closets that are off of the chancel and sanctuary, there will be a need to clean and dispose of materials no longer needed. A date has not been set to clean and organize these closets.

There is also an immediate need to pressure wash the upper parts of the church building to remove the grime that has built up for fifty-seven years. The lower parts were completed last summer.

If you are able to help with these projects, email me at **sm.dretske@stjohnsnewulm.com**, I can contact you when a date has been set to do these projects.

There were some kitchen costs that were taken out of the building fund, so if you still want to contribute to the kitchen fund you can still mark "Kitchen" on your envelope. If there is more contributed than the costs, it will go into the 75th Anniversary Renovation of the Sanctuary fund.

**Visiting the Homebound** - I have the privilege of joining the pastors in visits to members who are homebound—sharing the Gospel in Word and Sacrament. If you are not on our list to be visited but would like to be included, please call me at **507-217-7604** to get on the list.

**Streamed/Recorded Services** – Watch our St. John's YouTube Channel: <u>bit.ly/SJyoutube</u> Don't hesitate to hit "Subscribe". There is no cost. It only means that you will get a notification when we add a new service to our channel.

Please fill out an **Online Quick Response Survey** to let us know how we are doing and leave a comment. Go to: <a href="https://bit.ly/SJRecord-Stream">https://bit.ly/SJRecord-Stream</a> We are always striving to improve our streaming services.

Online Church Directory – Even though we don't plan to print a new edition for a while, new and current members who are not pictured yet should submit a picture to me by email or ask me to take your picture before or after services in the narthex. If you have a new address or any other new family information, please send to the church office at office@stjohnsnewulm.com

If you accidentally grab a pew directory when you leave church and find it when you get home, please bring it back and give to one of the ushers. Thanks!

#### Who or What is a member? (Part 1)

Part of my responsibilities is to help the Elders in locating members who may be in danger of falling away. Sometimes people move away and forget to let us know that they have moved. Some go to college, graduate and forget their membership at their home church. Others have not moved, but either due to covid or some other reason have stopped coming to church to hear the Word of God. If you are reading this, you are probably a member of St. John's and an active member at that. That doesn't always mean that you are attending services, so it is possible that you are an active member, yet are unseen. The Elders are concerned for you and may make an effort to contact you. In recent efforts, those that have called have commented that some are faithfully watching services online, read the monthly Fortress, and even send contributions to support the ministries of St. John's. There is a hope, however, that our members will return to church services in-person. There is something wonderful about worshiping together and even visiting with members and visitors after worship.

I visit the homebound with the pastors and they wish that they would be able to come and worship with the rest of our members, but most of them do not have that opportunity. Please consider returning to worship if you are able.

Respectfully submitted, Jim Dretske

## **Summer Send-Off**

Join us for Summer Send-off on Sep. 9th from 5 - 7 pm! John and Paul Ministries will say goodbye to summer with complimentary food, bounce houses, games, outdoor worship, and the best seats on the school grounds for the HermannFest fireworks!

See you then and bring a friend!

Many helpful hands and friendly faces are needed to run an outreach event! Please sign up at johnandpaulministries.com to volunteer! Questions? Contact Beth Scharf at scharfbm@mlc-wels.edu.

### St. Paul's School

**2023-2024 St. Paul's School Enrollment** (as of 7/14): PS3 - 8, PS4 - 38, PreSchool Total - 46; K - 35, 1 - 28, 2 - 44, 3 - 41, 4 - 37, 5 - 31, 6 - 36, 7 - 26, 8 - 35, Grade School Total - 313 (Enrollment at the end last year - 312)

#### 158 Years Celebrating St. Paul's Lutheran School

If you attended St. Paul's Lutheran School, you probably find yourself reminiscing about some of your days at St. Paul's or other WELS grade schools. You may wonder where your best friend from eighth grade ended up. You may wonder about what life might have been if you would still be hanging out with them. Many of you may not be able to thank your former WELS teachers or principal, but you would love to be able to show them how well you turned out. At St. Paul's, the slide is still in use, the merry-go-round still goes around, and children still swing on the same monkey bars. There are memories that you share and some you wish you could remember.

We can reflect on the 158 years of St. Paul's, with all of the buildings and different locations to realize how important Christian education has been to its members. Construction is followed by renovations and improvements to make sure we have a facility that is functional for the students.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church is still in Phase III of its capital campaign for the school. It is our prayer that your offerings continue to value Christian education. If you have prayerfully considered an offering to the capital campaign and are ready to make a gift, you can call the office at St. Paul's or send a check to the school or church. Big gifts and small gifts, prayerfully given, are pleasing in God's eyes. Thank you for your support and enjoy those grade school memories.

Blessings, Pete Markgraf, Principal

During the 2022-2023 school year, St. Paul's School received \$654.25 from reward and label programs that we participate in. The money gets deposited in our School Reserve Fund.

We currently collect Hy-Vee UPC labels, Country Hearth, Village Hearth, Artisan Hearth Bread labels, and Fiber Up product labels. We encourage families to save the labels and bring them to school or to church. Deposit the labels in the appropriately marked receptacles. We also participate in online programs for BoxTops, Cash Wise Rewards, and Casey's Rewards. Just log onto their websites, sign up, and start saving for St. Paul's School!

If you have any questions, please let me know. Thank you!

Kristal Miller

## Summer Devotions in the Park

The Friday morning women's Bible study group invites all parents and their children to join them during the

summer months for Christian fellowship in the park. We meet at 9 am at the listed park for free play and a picnic lunch (optional). Feel free to bring a friend! If you have any questions, please contact Erika Grundmeier at

(989) 529-8729.

#### August

- 4- North Park: 1801 N State St. (Splash Pad available starting later in morning)
- 11- Harman Park: 101 N. Garden St.
- 18- Highland Park: 1627 5th North St.
- 25- TBD

## Central Africa Medical Mission

Numbers 6:24-26: "The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you, the lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace."

As we wrap up the fiscal year, we wanted to take a moment to thank everyone who has supported our mobile clinic over the past 12 months since nationalization came into effect, and Violet Chikwatu and I took over from Gary and Beth Evans in their respective roles. From our volunteers and LMC staff, our patients, various stakeholders, and most importantly our various donors, we could not do what we do without you.

We served over 45,000 patients in the 2022-23 fiscal year, providing everything from preventative care through immunizations, child growth monitoring, health education, water and sanitation hygiene (WASH) education during and after the Covid and cholera outbreaks, to curative/medical care, family planning, STD testing, HIV/IDS testing, Malaria testing, Bp/hb/sugar checking, nutrition programs and antenatal programs.

In early July, we are required to renew our employees' contracts for the upcoming fiscal year. The agreements for our clinic village staff and volunteers are the first to be signed. I travel to the clinics and wait until the clinic is over before meeting the individual village staff to discuss their new contracts. While waiting, I would seat myself at the table next to the pharmacy station. Here I would check the health passports for the medications that the clinicians have prescribed for the patients and enter them into the registers, mostly epilepsy or malaria prescriptions. I would also test blood for hemoglobin in patients who needed it and first-time antenatal mothers. As the patients and guardians wait in line for the pharmacy their faces are usually sad or somber when I talk to them, but as soon as they receive their meds it is so heartwarming to see their faces light up as they receive their medications as this is often not the case in government hospitals who have little to no medication on hand. Simply having medications available is a huge benefit for our patients.

We cannot express enough how grateful we are for your trust and belief in CAMM mission, it is saving, healing, and providing the comfort of God's Word to a lot of people in the communities we

serve. Your donations, large or small, make a significant impact on the lives of individuals and communities. We truly appreciate your continued support. As we move forward, we pledge to remain dedicated to our cause and with God's guidance we will work relentlessly to make an even greater medical and spiritual impact. We are excited about the new opportunities and challenges ahead, with the goal of improving the health and well-being of everyone in the Villages we serve. Thank you again for your support, and for being part of the mobile clinic community.

Sincerely Lusungu Mwambeye, Clinic Administrator

In Loving Memory

Steve Bode	Ministerial Education	\$10
Richard Madole	SJ75: Ministerial Education SJ75: Sanctuary Renovation	\$10 \$10