

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL MISSION PROJECTS



A NEW PROJECT

2009

Operation Classroom is partnering with some of the schools to begin a program of raising oil palm trees, with the hope that these schools will be able to be self-supporting in a few years.



Why oil palm trees? Oil palm trees are easy to care for and will bear for up to 50 years.



The fruit is reddish, about the size of a large plum, and grows in bunches. One bunch produces about 3.5 pounds of oil. The seeds are harvested and pressed.



Palm oil is used in Africa and other parts of the world. It is used for soap, cooking, and to make palm butter. The palm fronds and kernel meal are processed for livestock feed.

THE NEED

1. Each oil palm seedling will cost us \$9.00 to purchase and cultivate until it begins to produce seeds.
2. Our goal is to provide a minimum of 1000 oil palm seedlings to those schools which have adequate land to grow them.

OUR PLAN

1. Invite VBS's and Sunday School classes and individuals to provide the funds to purchase the oil palm seedlings.
2. Select the schools which will be able to plant a minimum of 5 acres of oil palm seedlings (about 150 seedlings). Some schools will be able to plant up to 600.
3. Provide the funds to the school as a part of their self-sustainability program.

Or . . .

you may consider a

HANDS-ON-PROJECT

When we need a band-aid we can usually find one in the medicine cabinet in our home. But not so in much of the world, including Sierra Leone and Liberia, where many schools do not have first-aid supplies.

You are invited to assist in providing such first-aid items as band-aids, tape, gauze pads, etc., to be given to the Operation Classroom schools in Liberia and Sierra Leone.

Children can become involved by bringing these items to your VBS. They can then be boxed and brought or sent to our warehouse. From there they will be shipped to either Liberia or Sierra Leone.



OPERATION CLASSROOM

Is a mission program of the United Methodist Church:

To upgrade the United Methodist schools in Liberia and Sierra Leone.

To develop a vocational program in schools so youth can learn a trade.

To assist the United Methodist Church in Sierra Leone and Liberia to develop a more comprehensive health care delivery system.

To train persons in Liberia and Sierra Leone to counsel with youth and adults to help them overcome the trauma of war.



Supplies can be boxed and sent to:

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806 Woodward Street
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AVAILABLE:

1. Pictures of oil palms and students at school
2. DVD on the VBS project
3. A devotional reading for one day at VBS
4. A speaker to come to your VBS for one day
5. Additional information on the website.



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"Then many will give thanks on our behalf for the gracious favor granted us in answer to the prayers of many." 2 Cor 1:11