



SIERRA LEONE INITIATIVE 2021 UPDATES

Interim Bishop Warner Brown arrived in Sierra Leone from USA, late April

Sierra Leone Annual Conference: April 28 – May 2, 2021, Interim Bishop Warner Brown presiding, a major decision– recommending a pastor for consideration /election as Sierra Leone Bishop at Jurisdictional Conference; pray God’s discernment surrounds the pastors and laity as they vote

Susquehanna Conference Churches support as of 1st Quarter 2021, 68 pastors, most of whom receive around \$75 - \$95 a month salary, a few receive over \$120 (They received a “small, small” salary increase in 2021, which by 4th Quarter 2021, our current church contributions will no longer totally support.

2020 - 2021 Sierra Leone Annual Conference Treasurer provides Susquehanna Conference with three quarterly salary reports to verify the use of our donations to pastors - 1) salary funds received and expended by SL district (with exchange rate so SLI Team can compare USD and Leones), 2) bank notification of salary deposits into pastors’ accounts, 3) copy of SL pastors’ payroll from Susquehanna Conference funds. **THANK YOU TO ALL CHURCHES WHO SERVE SL PASTORS!**

2020 partner church developments:

Kono District’s Bishop Bangura Memorial UMC – total church remodel and

Tomبود UMC - the completion of a three-stall bathroom and seven post-secondary scholarships provided

Kenema District’s Boajibu UMC – roofing of their new church building and Lower Bambara UMC – construction of an indoor marketplace and many scholarships provided

Makeni District’s Maboleh UMC – parsonage remodel, Covid sanitation station purchased, scholarships and women’s agricultural program supported

PRAY for God’s will to be done in SL. **CAN YOUR CHURCH FAMILY HELP?**

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