

#1 BLACK HILLS PREGNANCY CENTER EARN WHILE YOU LEARN PROGRAM — \$5,000

Leader: An unplanned pregnancy poses many challenges, and some young women struggle to know how they are going to provide the physical and emotional needs of a child. **Black Hills Pregnancy Center** (BHPC) of Rapid City, South Dakota, has been providing an incentive-based pregnancy and parenting class to mothers and fathers of a current pregnancy or a child from birth to four years old. Through the various activities required by the Center, they are exposed to the Gospel through Bible studies, church attendance, and the love of Christ through others' actions toward them.

R1: *Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God* (Ephesians 5:1–2).

Leader: In 2018, the **Black Hills Pregnancy Center** purchased the **Earn While You Learn** (EWYL) curriculum and Bright Course subscriptions for their clients. The **EWYL** program helps their clients choose life for their babies when they see there is support for them to learn, grow, and understand how to be good mothers and fathers to their children. Updates of the **EWYL** curriculum are done twice annually for a cost of \$1,000. In addition, the Bright Course's new online curriculum costs about \$129 per month for five clients. Over the past year, with all the restrictions of meeting together, this has proved invaluable for the parents that **BHPC** serves.

R2: *See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven. For the Son of Man came to save the lost* (Matthew 18:10,11).

Leader: The **BHPC** has seen an increase in new clients and participants over the past three years. With the new abortion regulations in our state, there is potential for even more participants. Support of this program is critical for new parents to gain the knowledge they need to provide a loving home for their children. With our grant of \$5,000 we can help defray some of the costs of this vital program for the most vulnerable of children.

R3: *For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them* (Ephesians 2:10).

All: **Heavenly Father, Creator of all persons, You established the first family as a place for children to grow physically as well as spiritually. We ask Your blessing on the Black Hills Pregnancy Center as they strive to assist mothers and fathers of the most vulnerable children. Guide the program directors as they interact with their clients, showing them the love of Christ in all their actions. Bless these parents as they seek to be the best parents they can be. Keep these children and their parents in Your loving grace and care. Increase our mite offerings to cover the cost of the lessons given. Pour out Your mercy on the Center as they reach out to families in need of your love. In Your powerful name, Jesus. Amen.**

#2 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR CONCORDIA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, FT. WAYNE, IN FOOD AND CLOTHING COOP — \$5,000

Leader: **Concordia Theological Seminary** is preparing workers to serve in the harvest fields. These men and women are carrying the compassion of Christ to His people as well as to the lost. By helping relieve the financial burden of feeding and clothing their families, this grant will help further the mission and ministry of the Word through these students.

R1: *When He saw the crowds, He had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. He then said to His disciples, “The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest fields.” (Matthew 9:36-38).*

Leader: The **Food and Clothing Co-op** is important to the students at Ft. Wayne because:

R2: Nearly 60% of the students are married second career with families.

R3: Many spouses are unable to find short term employment to help with expenses.

R4: Although the financial needs are the same, the former employment earnings are gone.

R2: The **Co-op** provides 80–85% of all food and household needs each month at no cost to the students.

R3: The **Co-op** spends about \$7,500 /month on perishable items and fresh produce.

R4: All students are eligible to use the Coop.

Leader: On average, the **Food Co-op** monthly purchases include:

R2: 300 gallons of milk.

R3: 175 dozen eggs.

R4: 250 packages of cheese.

R2: 3500 pounds of fresh produce.

R3: 2,000 diapers.

R4: 400 pounds of ground beef.

Leader: What a tremendous effort to help our future pastors and church workers during their time of educational studies! Praise God that we are able to help assist them in such a tangible way!

All: **Our Good Shepherd, as You blessed the fish and loaves to feed the multitudes on the hillside, we ask that You would bless the mite offerings we give for this mission grant for the Food and Clothing Co-op at Ft. Wayne. Guide the people who oversee this large task, bless the families who benefit from the items, and encourage the students in their studies as they prepare to lead Your people home to You. In the name above every other name, Jesus, we pray! Amen.**

#3 FEEDING HAITIAN CHILDREN PHYSICALLY AND SPIRITUALLY, TRINITY HOPE — \$5000

Leader: Trinity HOPE follows two tenets found in the book of Matthew. These guiding words tell them to feed those who are hungry and to go forth and make disciples of all nations.

R1: *“Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me.” ... And the King will answer them, “Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.”* (Matthew 25:34–35; 40)

R2: *“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you and behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”* (Matthew 28:19–20)

Leader: God has called **Trinity HOPE** of Mt. Juliet, TN to be His instrument to reach thousands of hungry children in Haiti and give them HOPE. A major obstacle to Christianity in Haiti is Voodoo and an estimated 4.4 million residents suffer from malnutrition. **Trinity HOPE** works through a daily on-site feeding program for the children, who share the love of Christ they learn about in their homes and the communities.

R3: How many children are served?

R4: 50,000 daily in 200+ schools.

R3: How much does each meal cost?

R4: Just 27 cents.

R3: What is the goal?

R4: A daily feeding program in all Lutheran schools.

R3: Is there a waiting list?

R4: Eighty-nine schools are on the waiting list to be served.

Leader: **Trinity HOPE** assigns the mission grants donated to a specific school in Haiti. These schools will be corresponding with our LWML South Dakota District three times throughout the year. Please look for this correspondence at sdlwml.org once the grant has been funded. Schools in the program are asked to cover 5–15% of the costs of the feeding program, pay their cooks, and provide fuel(wood), water and kettles for cooking as well as bowls and spoons for the children to use. This gives the individual schools ownership in the program. Over 95% of every dollar goes directly to the feeding program in Haiti. Keep us mindful of how our mite offerings go to spread Your love to others!

All: **Sweet Jesus, You took the children in your arms and blessed them. Bless these Your children in Haiti as they receive not only food for their physical well-being, but also food for their spiritual growth. Holy Spirit, touch their hearts and increase their faith in You, Lord! Grant mercy and grace to all the workers both in Haiti and in Tennessee who feel the call to serve You in this way. In the powerful name of Jesus. Amen!**

#4 INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS: MAKING JESUS KNOWN TO THE WORLD, CONCORDIA SEMINARY — \$5,000

Leader: **Concordia Seminary** has many international students who are among their church body's top theology scholars. Most of them will, after earning their advanced theological degrees, become the seminary professors back home. They will be raising up the next generation of pastors to carry out the Great Commission.

R1: *How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"* (Romans 10:14,15 NIV)

Leader: Because many of these international students are from developing countries, they receive little support from their home churches. Educating future pastors from their homelands is the most effective way to reach out to the unsaved in these countries. Our mite offerings will help spread the Gospel call of the Great Commission throughout the world.

R2: *"Go therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you"* (Matthew 28: 19-20a NIV).

Leader: Our LWML South Dakota mission grant of \$5,000 will help these future seminary professors equip the local pastors in their work. What a privilege it is to be able to impact the world for Christ! Fifty students representing 25 different countries are now attending **Concordia Seminary** in St. Louis, Missouri. Let us join together and sing:

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- 1 In Christ there is no east or west, In Him no south or north,
But one great fellowship of love Throughout the whole wide earth.
- 2 With God there is no tribe or race; In Him we all are one.
He loves us as His children through Our faith in His dear Son.
- 4 Join hands, disciples of the faith, Whate'er your race may be;
Who serves my Father as His child Is surely kin to me.

Leader: This song is our prayer to you, dear Father! Bless our international students in their studies! In the name of the one who saves, Jesus Christ! Amen!

#5 FAITH LUTHERAN DAYCARE AND PRESCHOOL PLAYGROUND AREA UPGRADE — \$5,000

Leader: Providing a caring atmosphere for young children where they can experience the love of God through the care given them is the goal of the **Faith Lutheran Daycare and Preschool** in Pierre, SD. Though separate programs, they share the common commitment to provide children in their care a stable, healthy, and consistent environment to mature emotionally, physically, and spiritually.

R1: *“Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these”* (Mark 10:14 NIV).

Leader: **Faith Lutheran Preschool**, with an enrollment of 50, is committed to teaching a Christian-based curriculum. Along with the **Daycare**, with 80+ children enrolled, these programs maintain an environment that exemplifies Christian conduct and ideals.

R2: *Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it* (Proverbs 22:6 NIV),

Leader: It is the desire of the **Faith Lutheran Daycare and Preschool** to update their outdoor playground area which is used by both programs. This would include replacing the well-worn wooden structure and concrete area with an updated play system; thus making better use of the space. The rocks in the playground area would also be replaced with rubber turf which would provide a much safer and softer ground cover. Finally, a new fence would be installed surrounding the area.

R3: *O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise because of your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger* (Psalm 8:1–2).

Leader: The total cost of this project far exceeds the \$5,000 LWML mission grant, but our mite offerings will help provide part of the funding for the play system. What a joy it will be for the children and the caregivers to be able to spend time in this updated play area!

All: **How You love the little ones, Jesus! They are always in view of our Father in heaven! We ask Your blessing on this project to keep the children of Faith Lutheran Daycare and Preschool safe in their new play area. Grant grace and patience to the caregivers and teachers who guide these children hour by hour. Let Your spirit of love surround them during their time together. Return them safely to the loving arms of their families at the close of the day. We thank You for our part in helping make this mission grant possible for these little ones of Yours. In Your name alone, Jesus. Amen!**

#6 LUTHER'S SMALL CATECHISM FOR AFRICAN MISSIONS, Lutheran Heritage Foundation — \$5,000

Leader: Imagine that you are the sole pastor responsible for shepherding 10 churches over 1500 members! That is the reality facing many African churches, and many of these members are new Christians! As new followers of Jesus, there are so many questions about the faith and the Bible. This could be an overwhelming situation, but God has a plan to help the rapidly growing Lutheran church in Africa! Christ himself commands us to:

R1: *“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you”* (Matthew 28::19-20a NIV).

Leader: Thankfully, The **Lutheran Heritage Foundation**, a Registered Service Organization of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, has nearly 30 years of expertise in translating and publishing the books of our Lutheran faith into 125 languages around the world. These books can be used in the pastor's absence to teach the basic beliefs in the Lutheran churches. God's hand is in the details.

R2: *For I know the plans that I have for you says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope* (Jeremiah 29:11 NIV).

Leader: Through the funding of the mission grant **Luther's Small Catechism for African Missions** for \$5,000, the LWML South Dakota District is helping provide over 1,000 copies of the Small Catechism to LCMS missionaries and church leaders in Africa. That may seem like a huge number, but in Africa, those copies are quickly distributed with people wanting more copies! What we take for granted, African Christians cherish!

R3: *After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: “Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne and to the Lamb”* (Revelation 7: 9–10 NIV)

Leader: What a glorious vision! How humbling to think that we here in South Dakota have a part in the fulfilling of this mission grant to bring a clear understanding of the Good News to African Christians.

Close with the singing or reciting of the Kenyan hymn, “Listen, God is Calling” *LBW* #833.

All: Lord of all the peoples, we may forget at times that You see us all the same: no difference in race, culture, sex. or age. Bless the people of Africa who will benefit from these new Luther's Small Catechisms. May Your Spirit guide them as they read these words of instruction. Encourage the pastors in their roles. Hold these precious souls in Your Hands. In the all-powerful name of Jesus! Amen!

#7 MOZAMBIQUE DORCAS SEWING PROJECT, LCMS INTERNATIONAL MISSION AFRICA REGION — \$5,000

Leader: The Lutheran Church of Mozambique has started a **Dorcas Sewing Project** to enable women to learn a skill and provide an opportunity to earn some income to help sustain the family. In addition, the Gospel has been shared while teaching the art of garment making thereby giving them hope for a better future and a way out of poverty.

R1: *And every skillful woman spun with her hands, and they all brought what they had spun in blue and purple and scarlet yarns and fine twined linen (Exodus 35:25).*

Leader: Sewing and working with fabric has long been a skill for women throughout the ages. Still today, women use this skill to be creative, help others and come together to support one another. One of the first items sewn by the original **Dorcas Sewing Project** group was masks to help prevent the spread of COVID. The **Dorcas Sewing Project** has been so successful that the Lutheran Church of Mozambique (ICCM) is wanting to expand this opportunity to others.

R2: *She makes linen garments and sells them; she delivers sashes to the merchant (Proverbs 31:24).*

Leader: The **Dorcas Sewing Project** not only teaches the skill of sewing garments, but also teaches crocheting and knitting. The Project includes funding for sewing machines, fabric, thread, scissors, needles for the machines and for embroidering. The \$5,000 grant from the LWML South Dakota District will go toward the total cost of about \$35,000. Since many of us have experience sewing, we can really relate to how much this will help these sisters in Christ grow in many ways.

R3: *Therefore encourage one another, and build one another up, just as you are doing (1 Thessalonians 5:11 NIV).*

Leader: Many of these women are not employed away from home and work only on their small farms. Learning sewing skills will give them an opportunity to work and provide some income for their family and at the same time, give an opportunity to share the Gospel and encourage their faith in Christ. It will help these women in so many ways.

All: **Father, as women, we understand the need for coming together to enjoy each other's company, the desire to help provide for our family, the satisfaction in learning a new skill, and the power of the Gospel in our lives. Bless these sisters of ours in Africa as they expand this sewing project to reach even more women with not only a new skill but above all to teach them about You and Your amazing love for each one of them. Encourage us to give generously to the work of spreading the Gospel through our mite offerings. This we ask in your son, Jesus' name. Amen!!**

#8 FAITH AND HOPE CENTER, SIBERIA LCMS OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL MISSION EURASIA REGION — \$5,000

Leader: The mission of the **Faith and Hope Center** in Novosibirsk, Siberia, Russia is to spread Christian knowledge about salvation, sanctity of human life, marriage, and family. Novosibirsk is a principal cultural and educational center in Siberia.

R1: *And so, from the day we heard of it, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, to lead a life worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God (Colossians 1:9,10 NIV).*

Leader: There are some two dozen institutes for higher learning within the city, making the student ratio higher than usual. Sadly, the rate of domestic abuse is higher too — an estimated 70% of women have experienced at least one form of gender-based violence in the home. With a high population of students and violence, the need for Christian counseling (especially women's and crisis pregnancy counseling) reaches the urgent level.

R2: *That their hearts may be encouraged as they are knit together in love, to have all the riches of assured understanding and the knowledge of God's mystery, of Christ, in whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge (Colossians 2:2–3 NIV).*

Leader: Deaconess Gloria Vinogradova, a graduate of Concordia Theological Seminary in Ft. Wayne, runs the **Faith and Hope Center**. In addition to counseling services, the ministry provides computer training for Christian women, development and distribution of educational materials, support for single mother families, and organized education meetings. All these activities are aimed at speaking about God's love and expanding the human resources.

R3: *I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow (1 Corinthians 3:6 NIV).*

Leader: Every person, regardless of gender, confession, and age may come to the **Hope Center** whose work is to support people in difficult situations, tell them about God's love, bring them to faith, help them find their church, teach them to rely upon God, and to be more confident in prayer. That is a huge task; but with God nothing is too much!

All: Dear Father, You see all that happens in this world. You are aware of every small detail of each of our lives. We ask that You would bless the efforts of Deaconess Gloria in Siberia — every detail! Pour out Your Spirit into the hearts of the people seeking help, growing their faith in You. In Your name, Jesus. Amen!

#9 SPANISH BRAILLE BIBLES FOR CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, Lutheran Braille Workers — \$5,000

Leader: The mission of **Lutheran Braille Workers** (LBW) is to provide the message of salvation through faith in Jesus Christ to people who are blind or visually impaired throughout the world **for free**.

R1: *We hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues (Acts 2:11b NIV).*

Leader: **LBW** is the **only** Lutheran organization which intentionally serves people who are blind or visually impaired both in the United States and across all continents, and the world's largest non-profit producer of Braille, specialized large print, and audio Christian materials.

R2: *The Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous (Psalms 146:8).*

Leader: **LBW** has received a request to produce over 20,000 volumes of **Spanish Braille Bibles** for Bible societies and churches throughout **Central America and South America** within the next two years. This requires additional purchases of thousands of pounds of paper, cardboard, and other supplies for production purposes.

R3: *Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy (Isaiah 35:5,6a)*

Leader: Thousands of people living in physical and spiritual darkness will know have the opportunity to know the true light of Jesus in their lives through **Spanish Braille Bibles**! The \$5,000 mission grant of the LWML South Dakota District will provide 1,000 of these special Bibles. How wonderful to be a part of this life-changing project!

All: Join in singing or reciting "We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight" #720 **LBW**

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- 1 We walk by faith and not by sight, No gracious words we hear
From Him who spoke as none e'er spoke, But we believe Him near.
- 2 We may not touch His hands and side, Nor follow where He trod;
But in His promise we rejoice And cry "My Lord and God!"
- 3 Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; And may our faith abound
To call on You when You are near And seek where You are found.

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Lord, bless the efforts of the Lutheran Braille Workers as they complete the task of producing thousands of Spanish Braille Bibles. Open the hearts of the people who will read them, increase their faith, and encourage them to share that Good News with their loved ones. In Your name, Jesus. Amen!

#10 SOLDIERS OF THE CROSS, LCMS — \$5,000

Leader: Church workers dedicate their time and effort to the instruction in the Word or to assisting the pastor so that he is free to teach the whole counsel of God according to the Word. As a church body, we seek to care of our faithful servants including:

- R1:** Pastors.
- R2:** Teachers.
- R3:** Deaconesses.
- R4:** Military chaplains.
- R1:** Church secretaries.
- R2:** Custodians.
- R3:** Daycare workers.
- R4:** Other servants of the church.

Leader: Many pastors and church workers often face ongoing challenges to meet their most basic living expenses and at times have sudden transitional or emergency financial needs during times of crisis, natural disasters, or when unusual burdens arise.

R1: *If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together.* (1 Corinthians 12:26).

Leader: **Soldiers of the Cross** is a program maintained by the **Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS)** which depends solely on contributions through the Synod. Each year the requests are increasing for help from this program.

R2: *So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith* (Galatians 6:10).

Leader: The LWML South Dakota District has voted to grant \$5,000 to help support the **Soldiers of the Cross** program this biennium. Your mite offerings will provide assistance when a crisis or unusual burden arises for

- R3:** Pastors, teachers, military chaplains, and deaconesses.
- R4:** Directors of Christian education, youth leaders, and other servants of the church.

Leader: Let us join in singing or reciting *LSB* hymn #696 "O God, My Faithful God."

- 1 O God, my faithful God, True fountain ever flowing,**
Without whom nothing is, All perfect gifts bestowing:
Give me a healthy frame, And may I have within
A conscience free from blame, A soul unstained by sin.
- 2 Grant me the strength to do With ready heart and willing**
Whatever You command, My calling here fulfilling;
That I do what I should While trusting You to bless
The outcome for my good, For You must give success.

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To You alone we trust, Lord Jesus, to lift up the burden of Your servants of the Word. In Your name, Amen!

#11A JESUS DOOR TO DOOR - \$1,000

Leader: **Jesus Door 2 Door (JD2D)** is an organization developed by Reverend Timothy Koch that teaches youth and adults to share their faith door-to-door in communities on behalf of local congregations. **JD2D** travels to congregations who request them, trains them to share their faith, and canvasses the neighborhood free of charge.

R1: *"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you (Matthew 28:19–20a NIV).*

Leader: The biggest expense for **JD2D** is printing the tracts which are used by the canvassers. Not having any means for income, this is the need for the mission grant request. Printing large quantities of the tracts is much more efficient than printing these tracts at the individual churches, many of which do not have printers to handle the work needed.

R2: *"And you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the end of the earth" (Acts 1: 8b NIV).*

Leader: A mission grant for \$1,000 from the LWML South Dakota District will aid in keeping this new program going. Although, Pastor Koch has left the South Dakota District, others have stepped up to keep this a viable mission grant recipient.

R3: *Because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved (Romans 10: 9–10).*

All: Lord of the harvest, we ask your blessing on the Jesus Door 2 Door program. Thank You for the guidance of Reverend Koch who started this important tool to be used by the congregations in our LCMS District. Open the hearts of the people who are canvassed that they would be receptive to the people who knock on their doors. Encourage the youth and adults who are doing the canvassing, so they do not become disheartened in their task. Let this program be beneficial to the congregations who are using it, that they may reach many people looking for the Good News of Christ's love. For in You alone is our Strength and Hope, Jesus. In Your mighty name, Lord! Amen!

#11B TEACHERS TO THE WORLD, MOST MINISTRIES — \$4,000 (PARTIAL FUNDING)

Leader: Mission Opportunities Short Term (MOST) Ministries enables committed Christians to go on short-term missions to boldly share the message of salvation and the love of Jesus through acts of service — through eyeglass clinics, clean water filters, English as a Second Language, Vacation Bible School, health education, medical and dental assistance, and a variety of other ministries. In every type of project, witnessing to God's unshakable love for us is their first priority.

R1: *If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, and one of you says to them "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? (James 2:15)*

Leader: This grant seeks to provide opportunities for Lutheran teachers (Sunday School, pre-school, elementary, middle, and high school) to join MOST mission teams for children's ministry, through scholarships for up to half of the cost of the trip.

R2: *"Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God" (Mark 10:13–14).*

Leader: The cost of going on the MOST Ministries trip is around \$3,000 per person; half of that cost would be around \$1,500. The number of teachers who would benefit from our mission grant would be 3–5 teachers. We have amazing teachers throughout our South Dakota district at every level! How exciting for them to be able to share their gifts and talents with children around the world!!

R3: *You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in our house, and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise (Deuteronomy 6:5–7).*

Leader: Join in singing "Jesus Loves Me" — a simple yet powerful song of the love of Jesus for each of us!

All: **Father in Heaven, bless the efforts of MOST ministries as they add more teachers to the groups who go out into the world to declare your love through acts of service to those in need. Bless the mite offerings which will go toward this project. Above all we ask that Your Good News be shared with every child who comes seeking help. In the power of Your name, Jesus! Amen!**