



CHRISTMAS 2015

Dear Friends of the Children of Sierra Leone,

At this time last year we were deeply concerned about the Ebola crisis and the delayed beginning of the school year. We thank God that the threat of Ebola is now behind us.

The year has been filled with wonderful news:



SCHOOL REOPENED ON APRIL 24

Eager students in record numbers began school on April 24 after a ten-month recess.

The Junior Secondary III (9th grade) graduates happily completed the much delayed entrance exam and are now moving ahead with their education in senior secondary.

SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL COMPLETE

The beautiful new Senior Secondary School construction is complete! After ten months of construction, we now have sufficient classrooms to house grades 10 – 13. Thank you again for your contributions to this milestone project!





NEW LIBRARY A REALITY IN JULY!

A team consisting of Mary Loeks, Mary Kortenhoven, Janis Carpenter, Jo Kuyvenhoven, Kathleen Devarenne traveled to Kabala in July to set up the library and work with teachers and students to help them make the best use of this new resource. The Kabala Christian School will have a fine school library with over 1,500 carefully selected books. Thank you to all who donated books and funds for the library.

Sarah Kluitenberg is acting as interim librarian with the assistance of eight student librarians.

NEW SECONDARY SCHOOL SCIENCE LAB

The science lab is built, the library is open, and students and teachers have received training. Now the school needs lab supplies and a librarian to facilitate the creative thinking of the scientific method and to unlock the potential of the books.



We respectfully request your contributions to fund the following:

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| 1. Science lab equipment | \$ 25,000 |
| 2. Librarian | \$ 4,000 |
| 3. Operating Budget | \$ 144,000 |

The cost of education for each student is \$400.



Grace and peace to you at Christmas,

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