## 2019-2021 LWML MISSION GRANT #18

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## SRI LANKA MULTIPURPOSE BUILDING CONSTRUCTION Office of International Mission — \$50,000

Leader: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Together we sing, "Christ Is Our Cornerstone" (LSB #912)

Leader: Let's read together, Ephesians 2:19-21:

All: So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord.

All: Lord, as we gather in Your name, we pray for our church body in Sri Lanka. With the gifts You have graciously given to us through our Mite Box offerings, we are able to help build the multipurpose building, which will enable a much-needed church sanctuary and office space to be built. It will also provide the opportunity to open a preschool. Building on Christ Jesus, the Cornerstone, we pray that You will bless the work of the hands that construct this facility. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Leader: Let's read together, Acts 13:47:

All: For so the Lord has commanded us, saying, "I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth."

Thank You, Lord, for giving us Your Son, Jesus, the Light which shines in every corner of this world. Bless the work of the church in Sri Lanka so that all may come to know You. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

- Reader #1: The Lord has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations. He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel (Psalm 98:2-4).
- Reader #2: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!
  - All: The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith"! (Luke 17:5)

Father, we pray for Your blessing on this mission grant as the message of salvation is shared in Sri Lanka. Let us remember that Jesus Christ is the church's one foundation. Let us continue to build upon that foundation. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Leader: Together we sing, "The Church's One Foundation" (LSB #644)

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