



Deaconess Training in Uganda

Expanding God's Love in Uganda
LCMS Office of International Mission, Africa Region — \$92,000

Hymn: "Almighty Father, Bless the Word" (LSB 923)

Leader: *St. Paul writes, I commend to you our sister Phoebe, a servant of the church at Cenchreae, that you may welcome her in the Lord in a way worthy of the saints, and help her in whatever she may need from you, for she has been a patron of many and of myself as well (Romans 16:1–2).*

Response: Lord, You have opened the hearts of many women to serve as deaconesses in Your Church. We thank You for those who desire to serve Your people and spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the country of Uganda. Through this mission grant opportunities for them to complete deaconess training while remaining in Uganda. Hear our prayer.

Leader: *One who is taught the word must share all good things with the one who teaches (Galatians 6:6).*

Response: Lord Jesus, You have provided pastors, teachers, and deaconesses who share the Good News of Jesus Christ. We thank You for them and realize that more are needed to meet the needs of the fast-growing Lutheran church in Uganda. The building of a dormitory to house deaconess students at the Lutheran Theological College of Uganda will allow women to remain in their home country as they are trained in Your Word and experience Your grace. Hear our prayer.

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Leader: *As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To Him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen (1 Peter 4:10–11).*

Response: Heavenly Father, guide the newly trained deaconesses to use their God-given gifts to work alongside the missionaries, pastors, and other deaconesses to bring the Word to those who have not heard of Jesus and do not know of His love. Continue to work in the hearts and lives of the people with whom they share Your Word. May it take root in their hearts and produce fruit in their daily lives. Hear our prayer.

Prayer: Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. (*LSB* 308)

Hymn: “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word” (*LSB* 655)

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