

DECEMBER 2015 DEVOTION

RENOVATION OF JEM SEMINARY BUILDINGS \$120,000

Leader: In the name of our Triune God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. AMEN

Read together: (Say or sing.) LSB 844 to the tune of Agnus Dei

Lord of all nations, grant me grace To love all people, every race; And in each person may I see My kindred, loved, redeemed by Thee.

Leader: Dear Father in heaven, we thank You for the Jonathan Ekong Memorial (JEM) Seminary in

Obot Idom, Nigeria, where men are being trained to serve You and the Church. Bless them as

they work toward becoming ministers of Your Holy Word. AMEN

Read together: (Say or sing.)

Break down the wall that would divide Thy children, Lord, on every side. My neighbor's good let me pursue; Let Christian love bind warm and true.

Leader: Oh Lord, Jesus, how grateful we are that through Your act of redemption, we are all brothers and

sisters united in love. Help us remember those who need our assistance even when they are on the

other side of the world. In Your name we pray. AMEN

Read together: (Say or sing.)

Forgive me, Lord, where I have erred By loveless act and thoughtless word.

Make me to see the wrong I do Will grieve my wounded Lord anew.

Leader: Oh most Holy Spirit, stir in our hearts a true confession of our sins. Remind us as we serve You

we are serving others. Forgive us for Jesus' sake. AMEN

Read together: (Say or sing.)

Give me Thy courage, Lord, to speak Whenever strong oppress the weak.

Should I myself the victim be, Help me forgive, rememb'ring Thee.

Leader: Triune God, we ask You to guide us, strengthen us, and give us a heart of forgiveness. Remind us

daily through Your Word of the needs of others, like JEM Seminary in Nigeria, and be generous in our prayer and mite support for their efforts to spread Your kingdom. In Your holy name we

pray. AMEN

Read together: (Say or sing.)

With Thine own love may I be filled And by Thy Holy Spirit willed, That all I touch, wher'er I be, May be divinely touched by Thee. AMEN