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The Kuwaa Mission Prayer Letter

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Back To School

Kids 4 Kuwaa

Kids for Kuwaa was founded by Brooke in Alaska, when she was 10 years old. She heard Rev. Dick Thompson, one of the founders of the Kuwaa Mission, speak at her church, and she wanted to help the Kuwaa kids. She felt bad that she has so much, while they have so little. They don't even have safe water to drink.



Brooke and her friends gathered small change through noisy offerings to help bring safe drinking water, school and medical supplies to the Kuwaa children in Liberia, West Africa. Schools, Vacation Bible Schools, Sunday Schools, and others have joined Kids 4 Kuwaa in raising money to buy the things the Kuwaa kids need to live healthy and safe lives. *You can join too!*

Geography



Liberia is in West Africa and is about the size of the state of

Ohio. The Kuwaa People live in a densely forested region off the coast, about 100 miles northeast of the capitol city of Monrovia.

There are 16 Kuwaa villages, ranging in size from 300 to 2000 people. A total of 17,000 people live in the Kuwaa region.

History

Liberia was founded by freed slaves from America in 1842. They had civil wars from 1980 through 2003, and much of the country was destroyed. The Kuwaa Mission was founded by Pastors Dick Thompson and Jensen Seyenkulo in 2008 to help them rebuild. Pastor Thompson was a missionary to the Kuwaa People in the 1970s and baptized over 100 people in 1975. Pastor Seyenkulo was born in the Kuwaa village of Kenata and now lives in Chicago.

In 2010 the first volunteers for the Kuwaa Mission visited the villages. They brought 100 water filters that remove contaminants and make the stream water safe to drink. The filters cost \$50 and can be cleaned and used for a long time. In two years, 5 wells have been dug in villages that had only a stream to drink from.

Science

Sometimes water looks clean, but it isn't healthy to drink it. It can have bacteria in it that makes people sick and even die.

Social Studies

Kuwaa kids have a school, but it looks different from ours. They build them from sticks and mud and use leaves for the roof. When it rains, they don't last long.



Notebooks, chalk, pencils and sharpeners were purchased with donations from Kids 4 Kuwaa and delivered to the Kuwaa kids in February 2011.

In the photo below, Kuwaa Kids listen to a book on cassette tape and follow along. American kids read the books and recorded them. These 4th graders are 15 years old because they couldn't go to school during the war. They speak English.



Prayer of Thanksgiving for

- . All Mission partners
- . Brooke and all the children helping through Kids4Kuwaa
- . The Board of Directors

Prayer Requests

- . Full Time Missionary
- . All Missionaries around the world
- . A Vehicle for the mission
- . Safe Travels for Stan

Sponsoring Church:
Bethany Lutheran Church
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Donations go to Bethany
c/o Lisa Dunk
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