



Zacapa, Guatemala Landfill Scholarship Outreach For 2022

In Zacapa, Guatemala, many families live on the outskirts of town, near the municipal landfill. The families have no personal means of transportation and make their living by having the entire family, including the children, sort through the trash at the landfill to find recyclable items that can be sold.



The children typically do not have access to education. Holy Cross has joined with Divine Savior Lutheran Church to provide the children a Christ-centered education. The education will enable them to rise from poverty, grow to support themselves and their families and bring the joyous message of Jesus Christ to their families and others.

Each morning the children are picked up from the landfill and transported to school. The children are served breakfast and lunch each school day. After lunch, individual tutoring, in secular and Christian education, is provided before the children are

transported home. A number of the children's families have been attending church and several of the children have been baptized.

Last year, through a LWML grant, we expanded our program to continue the education of the children in the Lights for Christ Program into middle school. The LWML grant will support 10 middle school students in 2022 and Holy Cross has committed to sponsor 12 students from the landfill in elementary school. In total, we will have 22 students in our scholarship program next year!

Holy Cross will provide 2/3 of the \$230 monthly cost per elementary school child and 2/3 of the \$900 monthly cost for the Lutheran pastor. Divine Savior Lutheran Church, in Zacapa, will contribute the remaining 1/3 for the children and the pastor.

The estimated monthly costs per child are:

Transportation, food and medical needs	\$128
Registration, tuition, books and supplies	\$36
Daily tutoring	\$40
Uniforms and shoes	\$26
Lutheran Pastoral Support	\$64

The Pastoral Support is to assist Divine Savior in calling a Lutheran pastor to reach out to the area communities. Holy Cross has committed to help with the pastor salary through 2022.



An LWML grant will provide \$17,500 in 2022 to support the 10 children in middle school. The annual commitment for Holy Cross and its sponsors, to provide funding for one student in elementary school, is \$1,550. To provide funding for the 12 children in elementary school, we need your help to raise \$18,600 for the children and \$7,200 for the pastor, for a total of \$25,800 this year!

How can you help?

For \$172 a month you can help a child from the garbage dump receive a Christian education. Children living in Guatemala, like children living in the United States, have hopes and dreams, but they simply lack the resources to make them come true. With your support we provide the support that renews their sense of possibility, encourages them to succeed, and most importantly, introduces them to Jesus Christ!



2021 6th Grade Graduates



Our First Scholarship Class in 2015

Yes, we want to help!

I/we would like to be a scholarship sponsor

\$20 \$50 \$75 \$_____ other each month please circle one
or annual sponsor

\$240 \$600 \$900 \$_____other each year please circle one
or

One time gift of \$_____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone # _____ Email _____

Please make checks to Holy Cross Lutheran Church.

Automatic withdrawal is available. Please contact the church office if you are interested in that option.