



Be the Light

2018 Synod-Wide Hunger Appeal

Help Send Kids to School

You are the light of the world ...

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and give glory to your father in heaven. —Matthew 5:14-16

Be the Light for a Brighter Future is the theme of the 2018 Synod-Wide World Hunger Appeal. All congregations of the synod are invited to join in this effort to give children the opportunity to go to school.

UNESCO/UIS reports that 263 million children and youth are out of school. Globally, 4 in 10 children fail to meet minimum learning standards. In many countries, girls are at a greater disadvantage. Families simply cannot afford modest school fees and other expenses required to send their children to school. Every child needs the tools and knowledge to make decisions and shape the future. Educating a child helps raise the standard of living of the family and community.

You can give children a brighter future! A donation of \$50 pays for school fees, uniform, and school supplies for one child. **Each congregation is challenged to send at least eight children to school with a gift of \$400 or more.** How many children will you help? Maybe you can fill a whole classroom! The Synod Hunger Team has set a total goal of \$45,000 — 900 kids!

The instructions are simple—collect donations from members of your congregation and bring one check to the hunger table at the Synod Assembly in Rochester June 3-5. Donations will be credited to congregations and forwarded to ELCA World Hunger.

Thank you in advance for your generosity. See **YOU** at the table!

Peace,
Upstate NY Synod World Hunger Team

The Upstate NY Synod World Hunger Team welcomes new members. Anyone interested please contact Maureen Gensler—mggensler@gmail.com

