



Canadian Lutheran  
World Relief



## SERVICE OF DEDICATION FOR WE CARE KITS AND QUILTS

Celebrate with your congregation and dedicate your We Care kits and quilts with a special service. Feel free to adapt it to your needs.



Dedicating We Care quilts and kits at Christ Lutheran Church, Waterloo, ON. Photo: CLWR/J.Ardon



A girl receives a We Care kit at a Lutheran church after-school program in Nicaragua. Photo: LCC

**Pastor (P):** Sisters and brothers in Christ, today we ask God's blessing upon these works of our hearts and hands. We ask God's blessing upon the spirit of thankfulness.

**Women's Representative:** We present these quilts, kits, vests and bandage rolls, these works of our hands, as caring gifts to the work of the church, the work of Christ. We ask nothing in return but that God may bless them to the good of others.

**Sunday School representative:** We present these kits, labour of our love for others, as caring gifts to the work of the church, the work of Christ. We ask nothing in return but that God may bless them and they may bless other children who have so little.

**P:** Thanks be to God.

**All:** And your faithful servants praise you for your glory.

**Women:** We are thankful, Lord God, for all the good gifts you have given us, for the plenty we have here and for the gifts your Holy Spirit gives that enable us to share with those who may lack.

**All:** We bless your holy name.

**Children:** Thank you, Lord God, for the gifts of home and family, for

the blessing of places to learn and the tools with which to learn. Now we thank you for the Holy Spirit that inspires us to give to others who do not have what we have.

**All:** We bless your holy name. We thank you, God of giving, for the work of Canadian Lutheran World Relief and the many other organizations devoted to the care and redemption of your people everywhere. May you continue to bless them with the things they need to carry on these works of compassion.

**P:** So now we ask you, O God, to watch over all these things as we send them on their way to your people who have a need. May these quilts keep the body warm and also warm the heart with love shared.

**All:** And may all these gifts, sent in love and in the joy of the unity we have with all your people, meet the needs in the lives of your people wherever they may be.

**P:** Bless all these gifts on their way!

**All:** In the name of our God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

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