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## Advent Challenge for Haiti

### CLWR announces plans for a special We Care shipment to Haiti

During the Advent season, Canadian Lutheran World Relief (CLWR) is challenging Lutheran congregations across Canada to help meet an urgent need for school supplies in Haiti.

Our partners in Haiti have been actively assisting with the construction of schools to replace those destroyed by last January's earthquake. This work is supported in part by the generous response the Canadian Lutheran community made to an emergency appeal from CLWR.

With your help, many students have already returned to the classroom but there is a desperate shortage of everyday supplies that we often take for granted—things such as notebooks, rulers, pencils and crayons. We have the capacity to help even more!

#### Our Goal

CLWR has set a target of providing 3,500 We Care school packs to our partners in Haiti as part of a special shipment scheduled to leave Winnipeg early in the new year. In addition, a special request is being made for soccer balls and hand pumps for use during school recreation breaks.

#### The Challenge

Challenge your church community and friends to respond to the love God has shown us by embracing this mission opportunity.

If you are not familiar with the We Care program and how it functions, we invite you to contact CLWR using our toll-free line (1.800.661.2597) or by email to [clwr@clwr.mb.ca](mailto:clwr@clwr.mb.ca).

Information about the We Care program is available on the CLWR website. Please visit [www.clwr.org/How-You-Can-Help/](http://www.clwr.org/How-You-Can-Help/).

#### About the shipment

To meet our shipment deadline, all kits being sent to Winnipeg via the Home Hardware network should be dropped off at a Home Hardware store by December 15. To conserve space, soccer balls should be deflated before being packed.

Home Hardware provides no-charge shipping to Winnipeg so, when dropping off kits, please express your appreciation to the management and staff for this wonderful gift.

Aside from the school packs, about 5,000 quilts and blankets already in our warehouse inventory will be baled and packed into the 40-foot container.

#### On the ground in Haiti

To learn more about the work being carried out in Haiti by CLWR's partners, please visit <http://clwr.wordpress.com/>.



Supplies are desperately needed by Haitian children as they return to newly built classrooms. Photo: T. Gallop, ELCIC.