



# Partners-in-Ministry-in-Liberia

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**PIMIL has a website!**

**[www.pimil.org](http://www.pimil.org)**

“Thou hast set all the borders of the earth: thou hast made summer and winter.”



## PIMIL Graduates 2nd Degreed Nursing Student

At the colorful and festive 50<sup>th</sup> Commencement Convocation at Cuttington University in Liberia on June 19, 2011, Edgarlyn Tonie Freeman received her nursing degree. She was one of 156 degreed nurses who accomplished their long cherished dream as nurses. PIMIL is sponsoring two more nursing students: Miama Konneh and Rachel Fakoli. PIMIL's first degreed nursing student Pauline Togba-Kpalu **2010** is working in Cape Mount County, Liberia. Edgarlyn hopes to work in the same County. The primary sponsor of Edgarlyn's nursing training, like Pauline, was St. Alban's Episcopal Church, Bexley, Ohio. Other sponsors of Edgarlyn were:



**Edgarlyn Tonie Freeman**

The Rev. Michael Way.....All Saints, New Albany  
Mary and Mike Shimko.....St. Matthew's, Westerville  
Doug and Elaine Palmer.....St. Matthew's, Westerville  
St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Delaware, Ohio  
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Thanks to the sponsors for making a difference in the life of Edgarlyn and the nation. The average life expectancy in Liberia is 43 years, while 15% of infants do not see their first birthday.

*Primary graduations for 2010/2011 and sponsors will be featured in the next edition after those graduations have taken place.*

## Diocese of Southern Ohio Delegation Meets PIMIL Family in Liberia

The five-member delegation of the DSO to Liberia in April of this year to explore companion diocese relationship with the Episcopal Church of Liberia had the opportunity to meet PIMIL, United States' sponsored students throughout their two-week travel in Liberia. Specifically in an organized setting, the delegation met students and their families at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Monrovia. The experience was rewarding for all. A member of the delegation said afterwards, "One of the highlights of the trip to Liberia was meeting the PIMIL students and their families." It is gratifying to note that all the members of the delegation have direct sponsorship with the students in Liberia.



**St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Monrovia**

The focus of PIMIL is to provide financial assistance for basic education (K-12<sup>th</sup> grade) to indigent families in order to send their children to school. The socio-economic condition of the country where poverty, unemployment, and illiteracy is 85% across the board motivated this compassionate educational outreach ministry. PIMIL was started in 2005. The academic year 2010/2011 is winding down. Students are taking finals and graduations at different educational levels are taking place. As it is the policy, the results of the students will be forwarded to sponsors when these are received.

The new school year 2011/2012 begins in September. Scholarship funds will be transmitted to the Bishop's Office in Monrovia on August 15. This will allow sufficient time for the funds to be paid to the various schools **and prevent late tuition penalty posed by the school administration on the students.** PIMIL appreciates your commitment and donation that allow the students to remain in school and to have an education. We trust that PIMIL will continue to receive your donations. Thank you! A new tuition structure is posted on the website: [www.pimil.org](http://www.pimil.org). The tuition structure reflects the financial statement received by the students at the end of the current school year. Here now we reproduce the structure:

## **I. Kindergarten & Primary Grades: 1st, 2nd, 3rd**

Per semester	Per Year
<b>\$ 75</b>	<b>\$ 150</b>

## **II. Elementary Level: 4th, 5th, 6th grades**

Per Semester	Per Year
<b>\$ 100</b>	<b>\$ 200</b>

## **III. Junior High Level: 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> grades**

Per Semester	Per Year
<b>\$ 125</b>	<b>\$ 250</b>

## **IV. Senior High Level: 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> grades**

Per Semester	Per Year
<b>\$ 150</b>	<b>\$ 300</b>

## **V. Junior College**

Per Semester	Per Year
<b>\$ 200</b>	<b>\$ 400</b>

## **VI. Vocational (Computer training)**

Per Semester	Per Year
<b>\$ 175</b>	<b>\$ 350</b>

## **VII. Career (Nursing) & Higher Education**

Per Semester	Per Year
<b>\$ 800</b>	<b>\$ 1600</b>

We look forward to hearing from you. Thank you.

Abby is available for presentations to your congregations and organizations and to answer any questions you may have about PIMIL. See the contact information on Page 1.