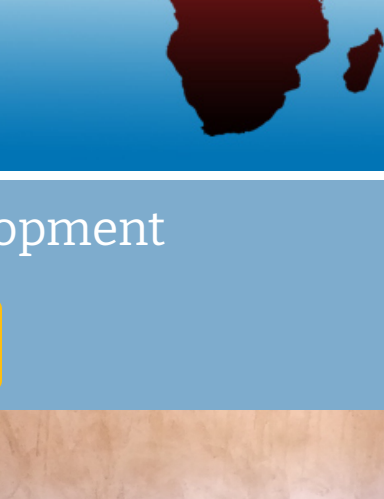



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(Picture: Workshop held by PLRCA partners in Zambia)

Director's Message

Dear current and future PLRCA Partners,

As 2024 nears its end, we praise God for another dynamic year of laboring for the Lord and spreading the message of Jesus Christ through Christian education. Founded in 2010 by my father, Rev. Dr. Jefferson Labala, PLRCA (Partners for Leadership Resources for Churches in Africa) has been steadily expanding its reach and impact on the continent of Africa through the guidance of our Board of Directors and the prayers and financial support of our faithful partners.

This year has not been without its challenges; however, through it all, PLRCA continues to shine. One of the biggest challenges involved the state of affairs of the global United Methodist Church (*disaffiliation*), which has led to limited communication with the E-Library Project, the body that primarily distributes PLRCA resources in Africa.

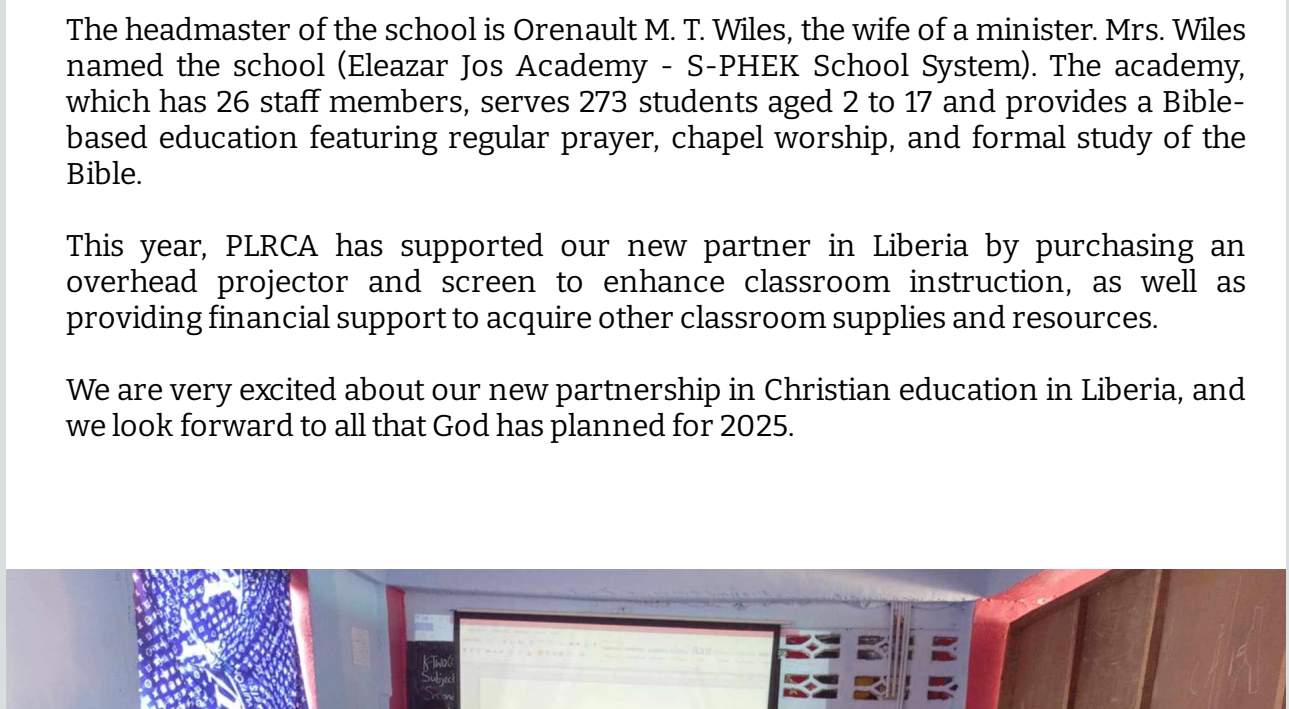
Fortunately, God, in His provision, has opened a new field of mission for PLRCA in Liberia and has also allowed the flourishing of our partnership in Zambia, along with greater activity through our online presence on our Facebook page.

Please take a moment to review this end-of-year newsletter and continue to pray with us as we put our hands to the plow ([Luke 9:62](#)), pushing forward as we labor for the harvest of souls ([Matthew 9:37](#)).

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NEW PARTNERSHIP : LIBERIA



(Picture: Eleazar Jos Academy - S-PHEK in Liberia)

PLRCA has a new partner in Liberia: the Eleazar Jos Academy S-PHEK school!

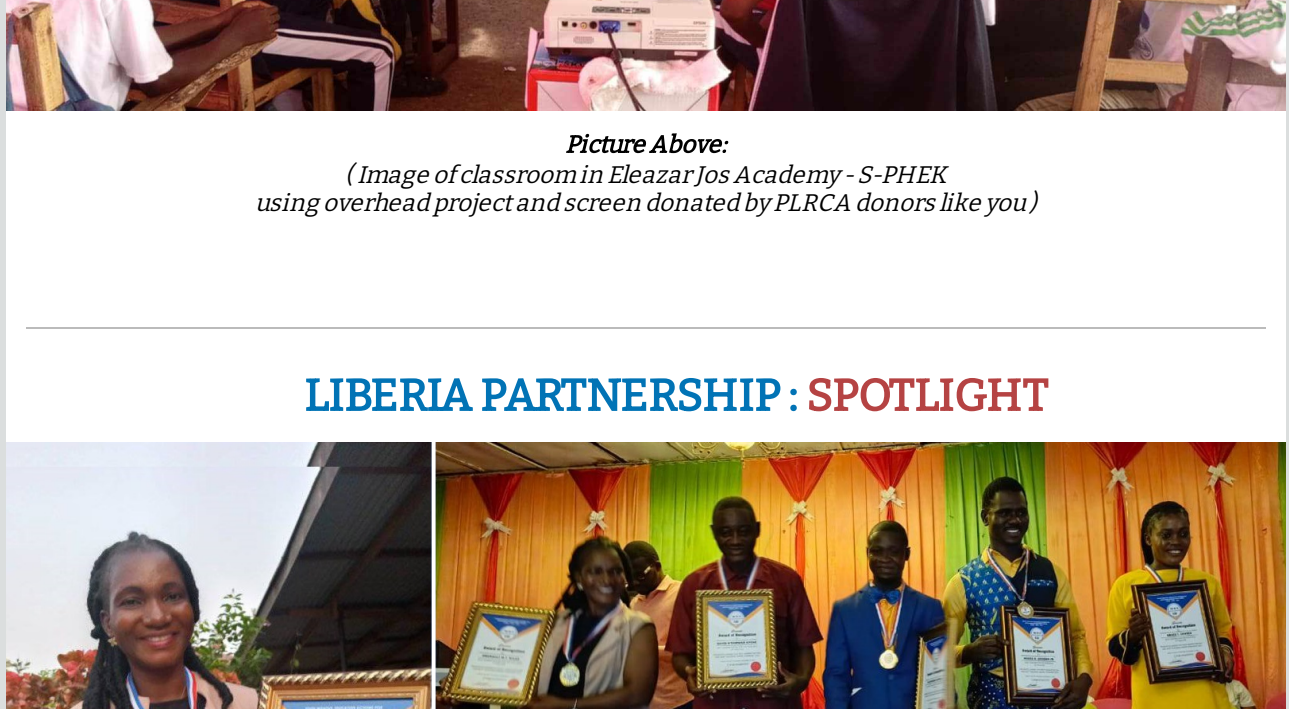
This year has seen decreased communication with the UMC Christian Educational bodies, which previously served as a primary means of coordinating and distributing PLRCA resources to pastors and frontline leaders on the ground. Due to the disruptions caused by internal issues within church polity, such boards and committees have not been meeting as often, resulting in less business being conducted regarding Christian education.

Yet, in the midst of uncertain times, our Lord never ceases to amaze us with what He is capable of and desires to do ([1st Corinthians 2:9](#)). Through communication with current partners in Liberia, we were able to identify and establish a new partnership with a private school that offers Christian education.

The headmaster of the school is Orenault M. T. Wiles, the wife of a minister. Mrs. Wiles named the school (Eleazar Jos Academy - S-PHEK School System). The academy, which has 26 staff members, serves 273 students aged 7 to 17 and provides a Bible-based education featuring regular prayer, chapel worship, and formal study of the Bible.

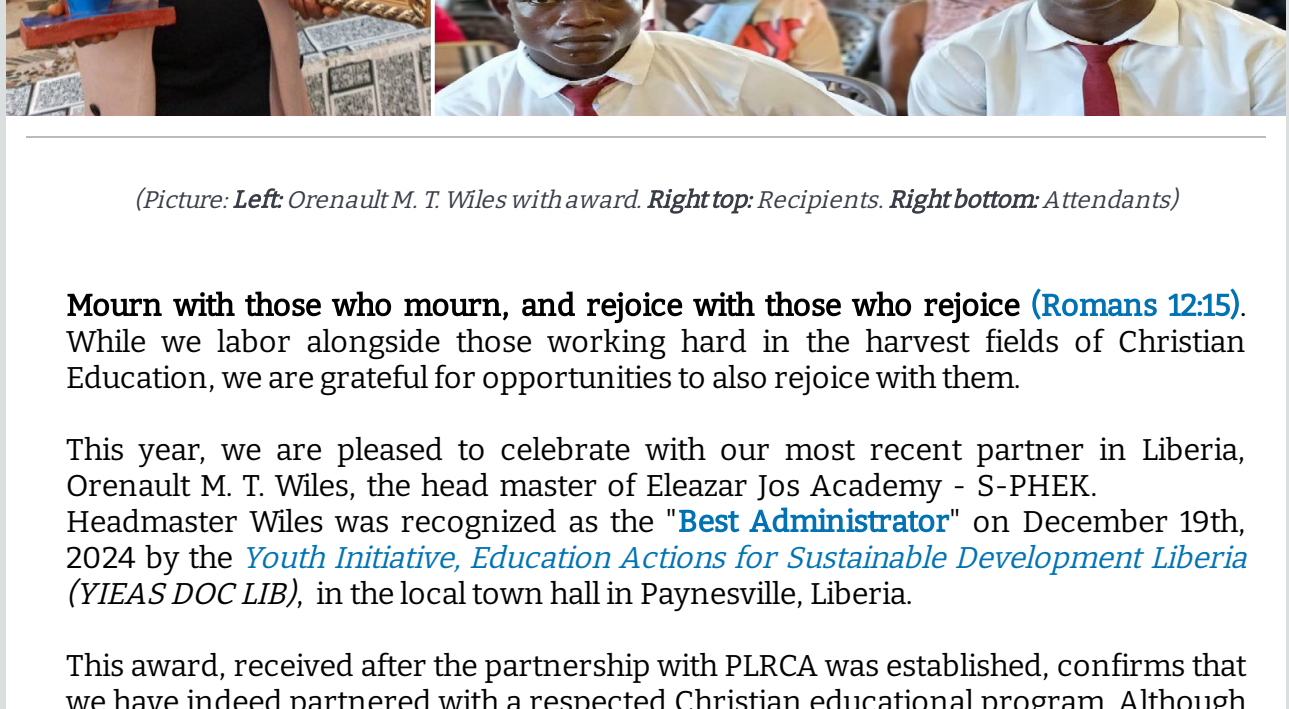
This year, PLRCA has supported our new partner in Liberia by purchasing an overhead projector and screen to enhance classroom instruction, as well as providing financial support to acquire other classroom supplies and resources.

We are very excited about our new partnership in Christian education in Liberia, and we look forward to all that God has planned for 2025.



Picture Above:
(Image of classroom in Eleazar Jos Academy - S-PHEK using overhead project and screen donated by PLRCA donors like you!)

LIBERIA PARTNERSHIP : SPOTLIGHT



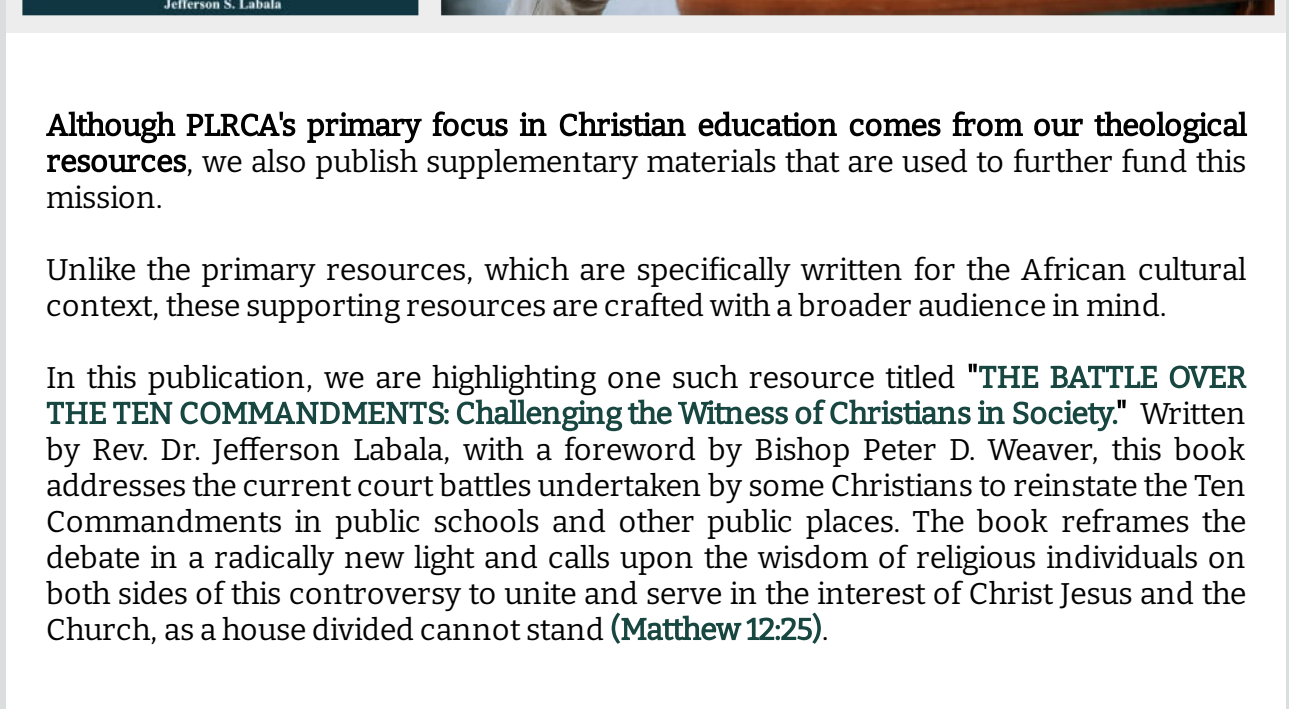
(Picture: Left: Orenault M. T. Wiles with award. Right top: Recipients. Right bottom: Attendants)

Mourn with those who mourn, and rejoice with those who rejoice ([Romans 12:15](#)). While we labor alongside those working hard in the harvest fields of Christian Education, we are grateful for opportunities to also rejoice with them.

This year, we are pleased to celebrate with our most recent partner in Liberia, Orenault M. T. Wiles, the head master of Eleazar Jos Academy - S-PHEK. Headmaster Wiles was recognized as the "Best Administrator" on December 19th, 2024 by the *Youth Initiative, Education Actions for Sustainable Development Liberia (YIEAS DOC LIB)*, in the local town hall in Paynesville, Liberia.

This award, received after the partnership with PLRCA was established, confirms that we have indeed partnered with a respected Christian educational program. Although it is comforting to do our own due diligence and find Headmaster Wiles to be a diligent laborer for the Lord, it is even more rewarding to have this recognition by the local established institutions in Liberia, who have shared their stamp of approval on the great work she is doing.

RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT



Although PLRCA's primary focus in Christian education comes from our theological resources, we also publish supplementary materials that are used to further fund this mission.

Unlike the primary resources, which are specifically written for the African cultural context, these supporting resources are crafted with a broader audience in mind.

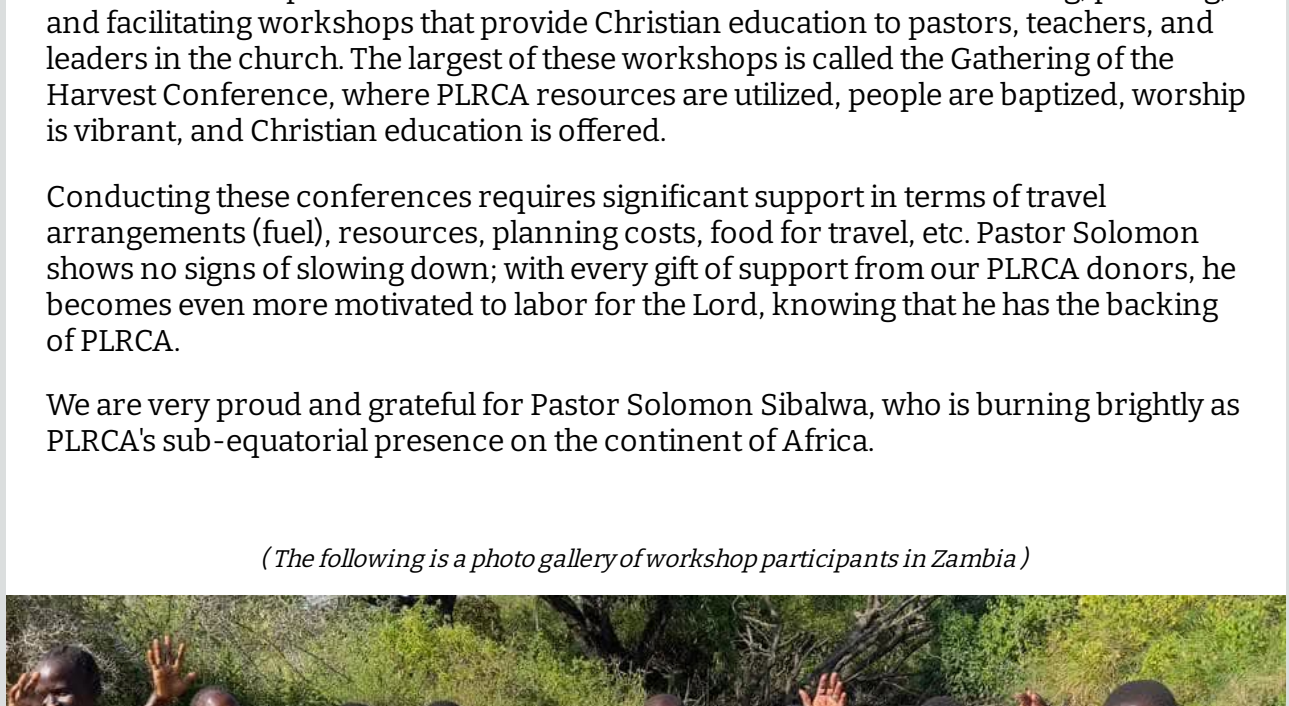
In this publication, we are highlighting one such resource titled "THE BATTLE OVER THE TEN COMMANDMENTS: Challenging the Witness of Christians in Society." Written by Rev. Dr. Jefferson Labala, with a foreword by Bishop Peter D. Weaver, this book addresses the current court battles undertaken by some Christians to reinstate the Ten Commandments in public schools and other public places. The book reframes the debate in a radically new light and calls upon the wisdom of religious individuals on both sides of this controversy to unite and serve in the interest of Christ Jesus and the Church, as a house divided cannot stand ([Matthew 12:25](#)).

This resource can be purchased on Amazon at the link below or directly from PLRCA at the link below with proceeds going to fund PLRCA.

[Purchase on Amazon](#)
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All profits from these resources go towards funding PLRCA.

HOLY FIRE IN ZAMBIA



(Picture: Pastor Solomon center, wearing blue shirt and brown pants, at workshop in Zambia)

Holy fire is burning in Zambia, and it is amazing ([Acts 2:3-4](#)).

As we celebrate our new partnership in Liberia and rejoice in the new candle that is burning, we are even more grateful for the great spiritual revival and the fire of the Holy Spirit that is igniting in Zambia.

Our partnership with Pastor Solomon Sibahwa is currently our most active mission field in Africa. The area now known as Zambia was settled in 300 A.D. by the migrating Bantu people. In the 18th century, European explorers visited the area, and by the end of the 19th century, the British had colonized the region. Finally, in 1964, Zambia gained independence from the United Kingdom and became a republic.

Pastor Solomon Sibahwa resides in Zambia and is a diligent laborer for the Lord. He oversees various pastors in Zambia and travels countless miles conducting, planning, and facilitating workshops that provide Christian education to pastors, teachers, and leaders in the church. The largest of these workshops is called the Gathering of the Harvest Conference, where PLRCA resources are utilized, people are baptized, worship is vibrant, and Christian education is offered.

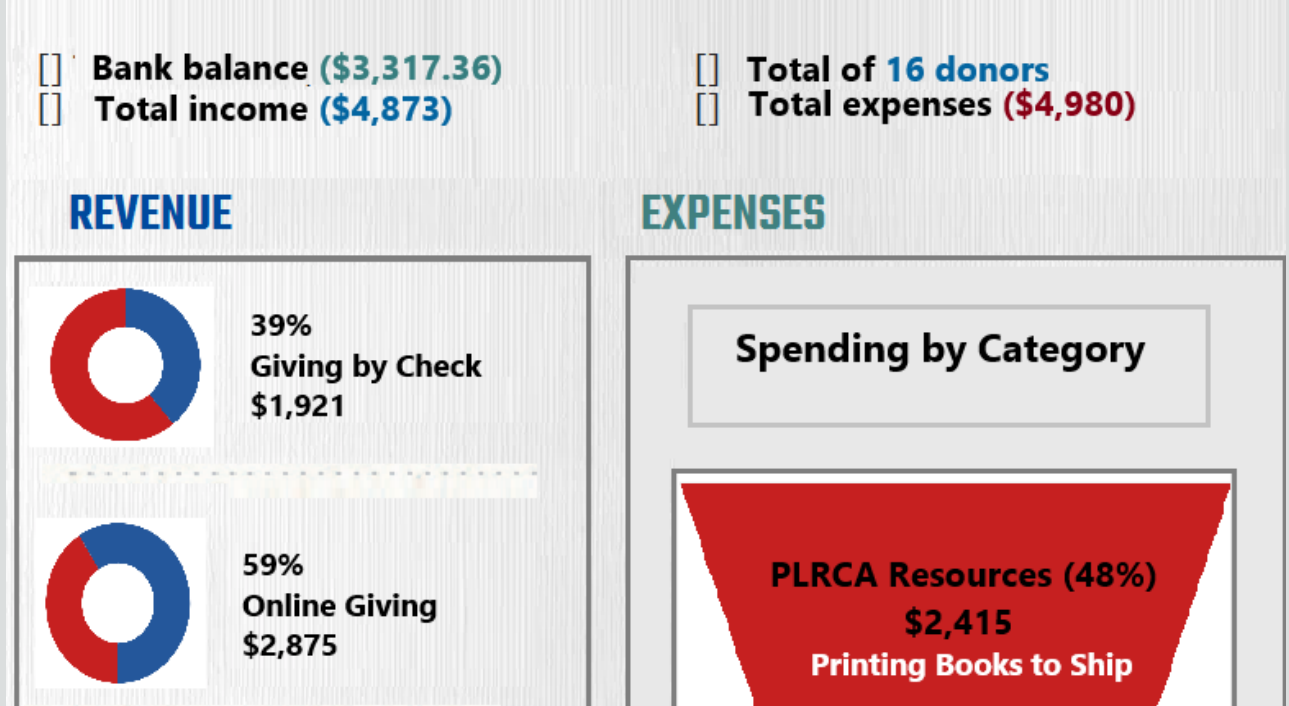
Conducting these conferences requires significant support in terms of travel arrangements (fuel), resources, planning costs, food for travel, etc. Pastor Solomon shows no signs of slowing down; with every gift of support from our PLRCA donors, he becomes even more motivated to labor for the Lord, knowing that he has the backing of PLRCA.

We are very proud and grateful for Pastor Solomon Sibahwa, who is burning brightly as PLRCA's sub-equatorial presence on the continent of Africa.

(The following is a photo gallery of workshop participants in Zambia)



FINANCIAL REPORT & STEWARDSHIP



God will reward those who gave to the work of the Kingdom of God. ([Matt 10:42](#)) and as equally important, God will also hold accountable those who manage these gifts which were given ([Luke 12:48](#)).

With this in mind, it is of the utmost important that our current and future partners at PLRCA are aware of how your donations are spent.

Transparency and proper stewardship allow for both faith that your dollars are being spent appropriately, and for the ability to desire to further continue the support.

In 2024 PLRCA received a total of \$4,873 in donations from 16 donors - making the average donation \$304 annually or \$25 a month. Of the 16 donors, 4 were organizations (1 non-profit, 5 church, 28) and 12 of the donors were individuals. This category made up for 48% or \$2,415 of our budget. This entails the cost of printing our PLRCA theological textbooks and educational resources which are used to train pastors and church leaders in Africa.

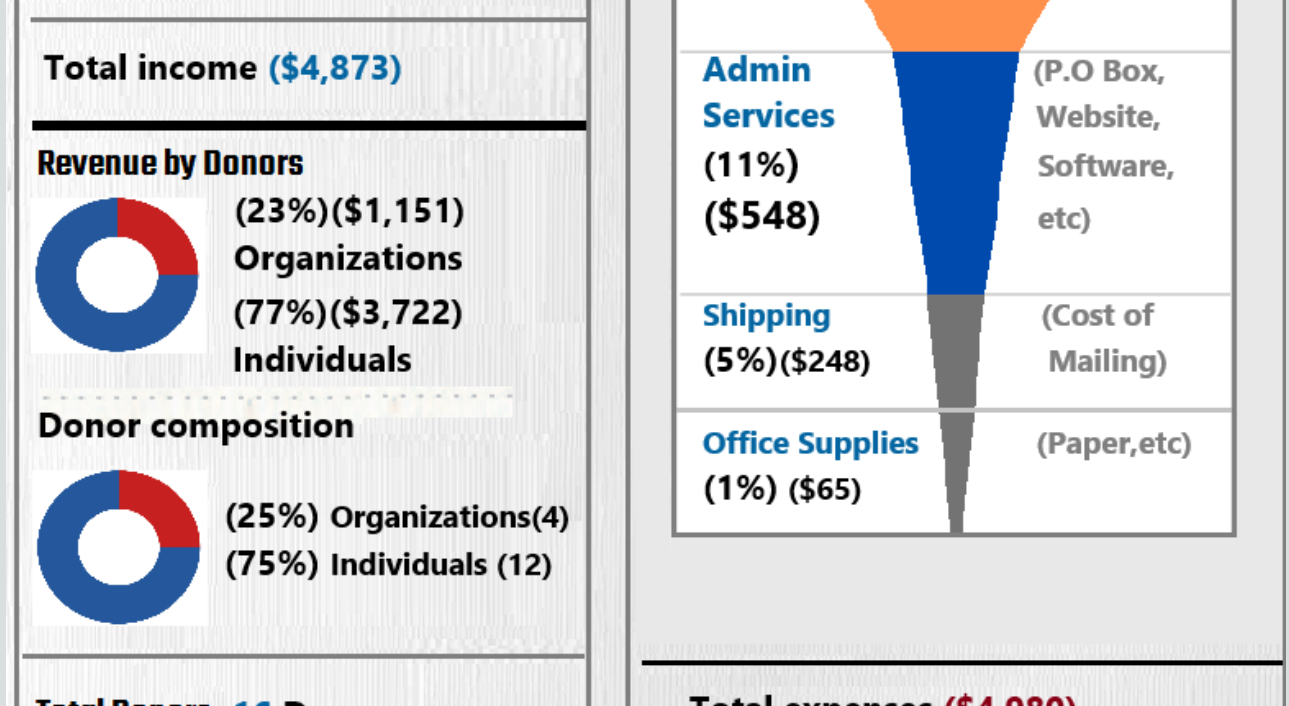
The 2nd biggest spending category which also reflects our mission and vision was the area of missions which relates to funds sent directly to our partners on the ground to support workshops, conferences, supplies, etc. This category was 34% of the budget at \$1,702 spent in this area.

The remaining categories which also indirectly support the first two categories, are administrative services, shipping and office supplies. Administrative services totalled 11% or \$548, which include fees associated with our PO Box, fees to maintain our website, and online advertising and marketing. Shipping costs were 5% at \$248, and office supplies such as paper and computer accessories totalled 1% of the budget at \$65.

Our total expenses in 2024 (\$4,980) was nearly levelled with our income, meaning the input(donations) matched closely the output (expenses). The difference between spending and income was a net of -\$107 (\$4,980 - \$4,873 = \$107).

The current balance in our account as we end 2024 is \$3,317.36.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP



(Picture: Left: PLRCA partners in Zambia affiliated with Rev Solomon Sibahwa through a Conference)

As we prepare to say goodbye to 2024 and embrace the dawning of 2025, there is much to be grateful for.

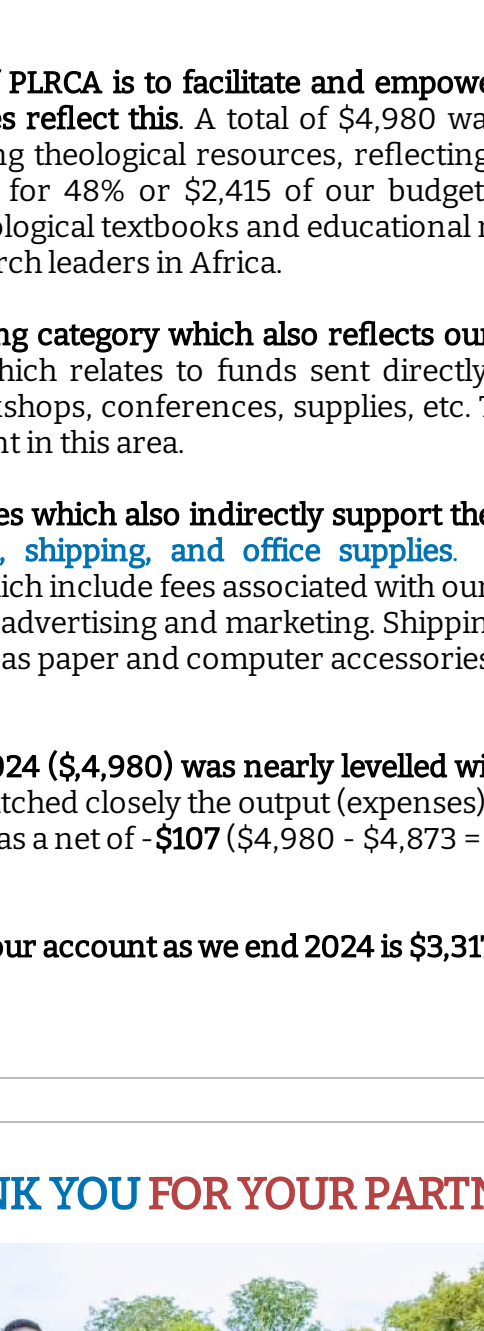
In the formative years of PLRCA, significant work was accomplished by Rev. Dr. Jefferson Labala, who authored 10 theological resources, textbooks, training manuals, and an additional 11 supplementary books to raise funds for the mission.

This supernatural dispensation of grace, resulting in a total of 21 books and resources, has provided a wealth of spiritual nourishment that will continue to sustain future laborers of God in Africa for years to come.

Now that this spiritual feast has been prepared, with channels of distribution firmly established, it is time for the laborers to work hard to gather God's people to the table. Therefore, I am honored to continue this vital work, building upon the strong foundation laid by my father. My efforts will focus on establishing new direct partnerships in Liberia, supporting our ministry in Zambia, and expanding our partnership base through enhanced social media presence.

Thank you for being a faithful partner. The journey ahead is indeed exciting, and we know that the rewards we see now are only a glimpse of the majestic blessings that God has in store for both you and me.

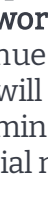
Warm regards,
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