

Just One Example of the Difference You Can Make:

- Jurencio is a ten year old boy living in East Timor.
- Because of his paralysis due to spinal meningitis, he could not traverse the rocky terrain to go to school.
- Gifts from Companions in Mission sponsors enabled MKLM to send a missionary to East Timor to build a wheelchair for Jurencio and countless others like him.
- Thanks to MKLM's loyal supporters, there now exists a nationally-recognized workshop which trains East Timorese in the production of prosthetics and wheelchairs.
- Jurencio, by the way, now goes to school!



This little boy is just one of the thousands of reasons why you should join MKLM's Companions in Mission sponsorship program.

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Companions in Mission



Become a Companions in Mission Sponsor Today...



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You Are Invited To Join Companions in Mission!



Companions in Mission is MKLM's sponsorship program through which insightful benefactors make regular, ongoing gifts of support. More than 1,400 donors who, like you, are committed to alleviating the effects of poverty, and working for social justice and peace, have chosen to become members of MKLM's Companions in Mission.

MKLM ministries work to create lasting solutions in 14 of the world's poorest countries. Our ministries focus on civil and human rights, education, healthcare, pastoral ministry, and sustainable economic and environmental development.

When you give through MKLM to help meet the needs of thousands of children and others in their communities, you can rest assured that your gift goes to the right place, the right recipients, and to a cause that you believe in. A Maryknoll Lay Missioner will make sure of it!



How will my support be used?

Maryknoll Lay Missioners' ability to serve the world's poor requires that the organization is strong in the field and strong at home. Currently, 79.9% of MKLM's budget is devoted to mission activities abroad and mission education. The remainder is needed for the fundraising and administration that make our overseas work possible. Unless you specify otherwise, your gifts will be used for general support, making possible the full breadth of MKLM's activities.

Here are some frequently asked questions and answers:

Can I sponsor a specific ministry?

Yes, you can. However, we do ask that you remain mindful that it is general support which enables MKLM to recruit, train and sustain our missionaries in the field. So, we ask those wishing to support a specific ministry to consider splitting their gifts between that ministry and general support of MKLM. After all, without missionaries in the field there would be no ministries!

Is MKLM recognized for its stewardship efforts?

Yes. MKLM is a proud participant of the BBB Charity Seal Program, which indicates that our organization has met the 20 Standards for Charity Accountability. And, in 2007, an impressive 79.9% of MKLM's expenses were dedicated to programs, far-exceeding the BBB standard of 65%!



What is the giving frequency of Companions in Mission sponsorship?

Companions in Mission sponsors pledge to support MKLM on a monthly, quarterly or annual basis. You can give via personal check, electronic funds transfer (EFT) or credit card. You choose the timing and method that best suits your circumstances and preferences.

Do I need to contribute a specific amount?

The amount and schedule of contributions is totally up to you. Some Companions in Mission sponsors donate \$25 a month. Others contribute \$500 each quarter. Still others make one annual gift. In short, sponsors give what they can on the schedule that best suits their individual needs.

Please know that your gifts to MKLM are tax-deductible. Each January, we'll add up your giving for the previous year and, to help you in tax preparation, we'll send you a letter reflecting your annual total.



Can I change the amount that I wish to contribute?

Sure. You are welcomed to change your giving amount or frequency, or cancel your sponsorship, at *any time*. Just send a note or email, or give us a call, and we'll be happy to make the change.

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