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Ahkom school news from David Sandi in Kono

At the end of last term, we prepared a meal for nursery and primary division children which numbered a total of 255 pupils. At the end of the meal parents were in attendance to pick up their children and report cards. The children enjoyed themselves with the popular food of their choice – Jollof rice which is long-grain rice and seasoned with Nigerian-style curry powder and dried thyme. Served with fried, ripe plantains. We also provided the children with soap / sanitizers and additional non-food incentives to take home.



David's recent news is about construction of new classrooms at Ahkom School. He says "The roof is finally coming up on the initial set of 6 classrooms at the school farm. I saved a lot by hiring a power saw to cut down a few trees in our village and reap the boards. However, the carpenter says I am short by 43 boards! I shall try asap to overcome that hurdle!"

News from Pastor Yatta – Easter Meal and Gifts

We also sent Pastor some funds for Easter gifts for the children in his communities. He has responded with some lovely photographs and he says "I say thank you on behalf of our children for the gift you sent them. I did 3 things.....

1. We made a small breakfast for them which they enjoyed so much.
2. I sent some money to one of our village Churches in Kono to feed the children.
3. We also helped some children with their schooling costs. I gave them some money to take to their parents to help them get back to school. We received a lot of thanks from the family.



So, I am sending the THANK YOU back to you for providing the funds. This is an excitement the children always look forward to. I say thank you thank you thank you!!!

St Andrews School Maima and a new church building

St Andrews school was started by Pastor Yatta with support from St Andrews Oxford. All the Love Sierra Leone Trustees have visited the School. The School was opened in 2004 and was taken over by the Government in 2016.



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Pastor Yatta also wrote: "We are grateful to God the school is still going from strength to strength. They took me around the school and church building. The church has been badly damaged by burglars, so we want to build a new church. We have made almost one thousand blocks. In the next two months we want to start to lay the foundations. The local people are working hard and doing well to raise local support. We pray you can also help us. We thank God we can ask. Finally, we thank you very much for your support and prayers.



[You can see where Maima is in Sierra Leone on this link:](#)

As always, this ministry will continue to need financial support from those who can continue to give in these uncertain times. We especially thank those who send in regular gifts via standing order. If you wish to give regularly, please download a standing order form at lovesierraleone.org/giving/. Finally, all giving is greatly appreciated and 100% of the gifts go straight to the work in Sierra Leone.

Richard Bayfield
Chair