

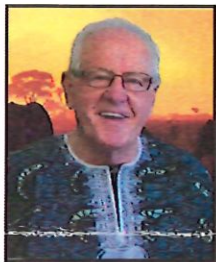
WEO *Ministries*

# ENCOURAGER

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Encouraging the Work of God Around the World

April 2025



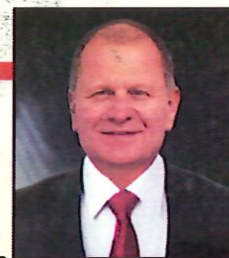
**Dr. Dave Arnold**  
Founder/President Emeritus

## Sadness Sprinkled with *Joy*

Life has moments when it floods our heart with mixed emotions. Such is the time with Dr. Arnold who has faithfully served God for over sixty years in America and Africa winning souls to Christ and training them to serve God. His advanced years has now limited the rigor of continuing as he has for all of these years, and combined with the homegoing of his wife Gloria, he is experiencing sadness mixed joy. One of the things that can lighten the sadness of life is knowing the difference the life you gave has made a difference in others. Would you take a moment, a card or a letter, and let Dr. Arnold know how

his ministry through the years has impacted/changed your life? You may send your card or letter to:

**[weoencouragement@gmail.com](mailto:weoencouragement@gmail.com)** or snail mail to: **WEO Ministries, PO Box 261, New Brighton, PA 15066** and they will be given to Dr. Arnold. Thank you for saying, "Thank You to Dr. Arnold!"



**Dan Yanchak**  
President of WEO

## Where Is Your Nest Egg?

It seems that every headline these days is dominated by the economy, rising prices, valuations of investments, taxes, business hardships, etc. The world would steer us to focus on gaining as much for ourselves as possible, even at others' expense. In great contrast, God's word teaches us to be 'good stewards' of the resources He has provided through our work and His providence and not to store up in barns for ourselves. We cannot take anything from this life with us materially, but we can take the precious souls of men by the grace of God. And we also can send ahead 'treasures in heaven' that will never lose their worth. Even the smallest of works, a cup of water in His name, is important to our Lord.

WEO Ministries was born from the God-given vision of Dr. Arnold, to win the souls of men in Western Africa. Every effort, from the smallest greeting to the largest of gatherings, is for the ultimate purpose of glorifying God with decisions to trust in His only begotten Son. Every teaching, every exhortation, every work, every baptism, every request for prayer shall draw people unto the saving love of Jesus. As ambassadors for Christ, we must set the example and 'Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. (Matthew 5:16). This year marks the 30th anniversary of WEO Ministries, now a Christian community of over 40 churches, 17 Christian schools, a Bible college, 2 orphanages, and missionaries in 4 countries surrounding Sierra Leone and Liberia. Man could never have thought this would be possible, but through God, all things are possible. King Solomon, the wisest man that ever lived, after having looked for satisfaction in every manner of wealth, power, and acceptance, proclaimed that 'all things are vanity' and summed up his life's experience by stating 'Fear God and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.' (Ecclesiastes 12:13). As we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ, let us love Him by keeping His command in Matthew 28:19, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."



# PERSPECTIVE

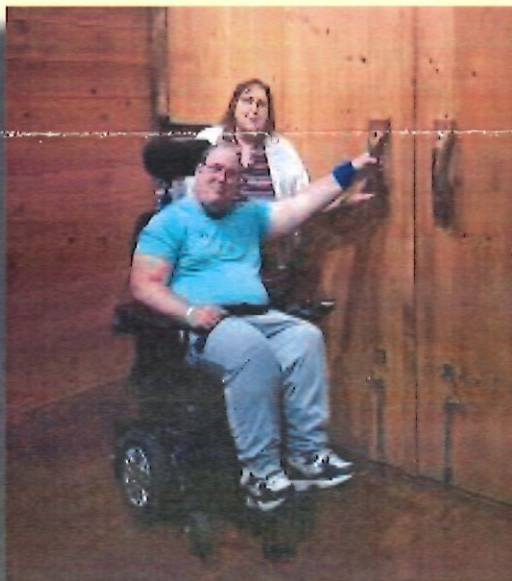
*"To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven." Ecclesiastes 3:1*



**MIKE SCHERER**  
WEO Director  
of Finances & Development

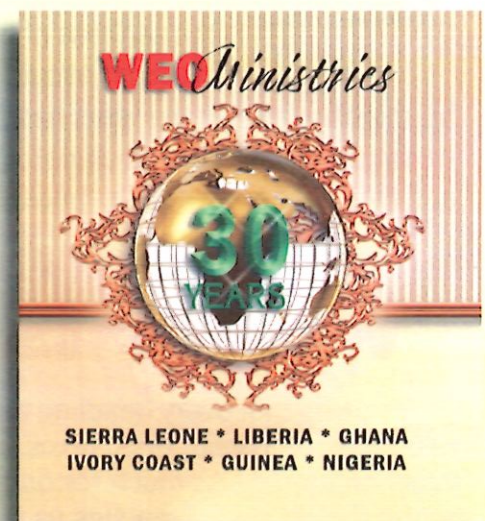
As you probably know, WEO's 30th anniversary will be celebrated this year in Sierra Leone. A group of us will journey over in late April for the week-long celebration. It will be a bit of a mixed blessing; the celebration will be a wonderful time of reflection and thanksgiving for what God has done to introduce and spread His good news to the folks in Africa. However, there is also sadness that our founder Dr. Arnold will be unable to attend the celebration, as he is now well-up in age and cannot endure the rigors of such travel any longer. Additionally, his sweetheart Gloria, recently passed on to her eternal home in heaven, and understandably this is weighing heavily on Dr. Arnold's mind. To help compensate, we will be taking a lot of photos and will record many video clips throughout the week-long celebration to play back to Dr. Arnold once we return.

There is also a story of faith involved with this anniversary trip. Our founder's son, Davey, has his heart set on witnessing, firsthand, the work that his dad started and would like to accompany us on the trip to Sierra Leone. This is not a small task, as Davey has been dealing with a debilitating condition that restricts

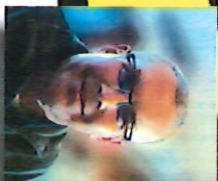


his activities to what can be done in a mobile wheelchair. Davey and Theresa have been praying about this for quite a while and are faithfully awaiting the response to a fleece that Davey put before God, namely that if God provides him a passport, then God is signifying His agreement to honor Davey's desire to go. If not, then Davey will accept God's will for him to stay back in the US.

We ask that you please pray for: 1) the Arnolds, 2) Davey's fleece, 3) those who will be traveling to Sierra Leone for this momentous occasion, and perhaps most of all 4) pray for the leaders and participants who will be organizing this celebration. We will try our best to provide updates on the many celebration activities on the [weoministries.org](http://weoministries.org) website and blog throughout the anniversary week. ●







**MIKE SCHERER**  
WEO Development

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# MINISTRY AT WORK

## WEO DEVELOPMENTS

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At some point in our lives, God will see that we are tested to both use and strengthen our faith. It's not a question of "if", but rather "when". God uses these tests to mature each of us believers. These are not the easiest of times, as we may find that something near and dear to our hearts has been negatively impacted in a way that might make us feel devastated and hopeless. Well... we were recently given such a test... Our thriving Bethany House orphanage in Saclepea, Liberia was struck by a fierce storm that literally tore off most of the roofing on six of the ten buildings located on the compound. First and foremost, we were comforted by the fact that absolutely no one got hurt. Thank you, dear Jesus! But what our faith must stand firm on is to trust in divine intervention such that expeditious action be taken to first survey and estimate repairs for all of the damage, then to clean up the mess, and finally to begin the repairs. Of course, this simplified three-step approach requires, most importantly, the prayers of the saints and our response to the call of the Holy Spirit in whatever way He asks us to move.

During these challenging tests, it is sometimes helpful to remind ourselves that Paul thought of these tests as "light afflictions that are for but a moment" and that "these present sufferings are not worthy to compare with the glory which shall be revealed in us". We all know what sufferings Paul had to endure, so he of all people would know what can be reasonably endured for the sake of Jesus. So, my dear friends in Christ, it is now a perfect time for all of us to use and strengthen our faith. What will the Spirit have you do? ALL CAN PRAY, so please help us bombard heaven with petitions of the heart. For those who can do more, please consider financial support as well. Blessings to all as we weather this lightly afflicted storm. ●





## AREAS NEEDING YOUR PRAYERS AND SUPPORT

**1. Sembehun School: \$68,500.00**  
\$33,048.00 Received,  
\$35,452.00 Remaining

**2. Church and Well at Mowto Village**  
Cost \$15,000  
\$5,514.19 Received  
\$9,485.81 Remaining

*Prayerfully Consider*

Date \_\_\_\_\_  
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Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
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- ☐ I would like to help with the \$35,452 needed for the Sembehun School project. \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ I would like to help with the \$8,458.81 needed for the Mowto Church and Well project. \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ I would like to help with the \$41,151.85 remaining on the Ganta Liberia High School building project. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### THE WORK CONTINUES ON THESE MUCH NEEDED PROJECTS

Could you make it one of your Projects to HELP?

Please make your check out to:

WEO and mark in the memo

which project you would like to help

**P.O. BOX 261  
BRIGHTON, PA 15066**

This is a tax deductible contribution.

*Will You Consider*

**LAST WILL  
AND TESTAMENT**

including WEO Ministries in your will,  
or include them in a trust, so your giving  
can continue after your graduation  
to heaven?

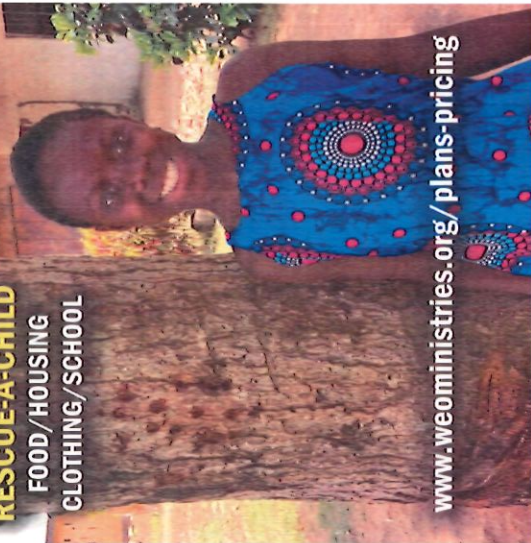
Imagine the joy looking down from  
heaven and watching  
your gift continue reaching  
countless lives for Christ!

**YOU CAN**

**RESCUE-A-CHILD**

FOOD/HOUSING

CLOTHING/SCHOOL



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**ASK GOD HOW YOU CAN HELP**



Please pray for our Orphanage in  
Liberia as we recover from a  
devastating storm that

### **damaged 6 buildings**

at the Bethany House Orphanage,  
Damaged buildings are as follows:  
Girls Dorm, Church, Cafeteria,  
Kitchen, and Storage room  
Residence of Mother Rebekah  
Residence of Pastor Dennis

**For more information/ and to help  
keep our children and workers safe**

**go to: [weoministries.org](http://weoministries.org)**





ENCOURAGING THE WORK OF GOD  
*Around the World*

# World Evangelistic Outreach Ministries

Monclova Baptist Church  
P.O. Box 15  
Monclova, OH 43542

April 2025

Dear Friends,

We received word from our caregivers at the "Bethany House Orphanage" located in Saclepea, Liberia that they had a major storm come through causing major damage to six (6) of the buildings on our orphanage compound.

Our Praise is none of the children or adult caregivers were hurt, however, please pray that we can quickly recover from this dire situation. The buildings damaged and needing immediate repair are the girls' dormitory, the cafeteria and kitchen, a storage building, Mother Rebekah's residence, Pastor Dennis' residence, and a portion of the church roof. See the Encourger for more details and pictures.

Although we do not yet know the full extent of the damage, nor the estimated cost, please consider giving a monetary gift to help with the large restoration effort required to keep our children and staff safe and dry.

Your faithful giving makes a difference in the lives of so many. Thank you for your giving and prayers.

Blessings,

*Dan Yanchak*

President  
World Evangelical Outreach

For Jesus' Sake,

*D. David Arnold*

Founder/President Emeritus  
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