

“Together in Mission” was the theme for a special celebration of God's mighty work in Guinea at Our Redeemer Lutheran, Hutchinson, on Sunday, September 30, 2007. The guests for ORL's Mission Sunday celebration were missionaries Rev. Tim and Beth Heiney, two of the Missouri Synod missionaries based in Guinea, West Africa.

Rev. Heiney preached a sermon titled “The Hope and The Power” based on Ephesians 1:17-21. The sermon focused on the length of time that we have on earth compared to the eternity that we will spend with God and how this hope is a key to reaching the native people in Guinea who are lost without even knowing it. The Heiney's spoke to both the children and the adults during the Sunday School hour, telling about their family and the ongoing work in the Guinea mission. The Heiney's report that the work of the LCMS missionaries and the local Lutheran church is beginning to be fruitful as new believers are turning away from worship of the local spirits to worship of the Triune God.

A dinner was followed by a short program as the congregation presented Tim and Beth \$960.00 collected during the pot luck dinner for their personal expenses along with a new laptop for their mission needs. Three refurbished laptops also were given for their use in the mission program. The LWML presented a check for \$200 for the purchase of a new printer and several boxes of religious materials including Bibles and school supplies. After the Heiney's left Hutchinson, a former church member gave \$2,500.00 in memory of their mother to the mission work. These gifts were in addition to Our Redeemer's yearly mission pledge of 9,785.00 to assist in God's redemptive plan for the people of Guinea.