

Historic Ties of the Sierra Leone Initiative

The Sierra Leone Initiative of the Susquehanna Conference is one component of local United Methodist efforts in that country that go back over 150 years. The United Brethren Church was the most active of our predecessor denominations in sending missionaries to and establishing schools and hospitals and churches in Sierra Leone. United Brethren missionaries born and raised within the present Susquehanna Conference and/or send out by the Pennsylvania Conference of that denomination include the persons listed below. Their home congregations/areas include such places Boiling Springs, Chambersburg, Elizabethville, Grantville, Greencastle, Lykens, Marion, Mont Alto and Waynesboro. This list may not even be complete, but it indicates a strong and continuing commitment to bringing the message of Christ in word and deed to the people of Sierra Leone.

<u>Service in</u> <u>Sierra Leone</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Place of Service</u>
1855	Daniel C. Kumler	Good Hope
1883-1889	James M. Leshner	Freetown
1883-1885	Mrs. James M. Leshner	Freetown
1892-1898	Luther Olin Burtner	Shaingay
1892-1898	Jennie L. Light (Mrs. LOB)	Shaingay
1899-1902	Ira E. Albert	Freetown [namesake of Albert Academy]
1899-1902	Mary Richards (Mrs. IEA)	Freetown
1913-1920	L. Mae Hoerner	Moyamba
1914-1919	Jessie E. Hoerner	Freetown
1914-1919	Lulu Mae Clippinger	Taiama
1920-1926	William N. Martin	Freetown
1920-1926	Grace Snyder (Mrs. WNM)	Freetown
1931-1964	Dr. Mabel I. Silver	Rotifunk
1936-1958	Earl J. Ensminger	Sherbro
1936-1958	Ruth M. Funk (Mrs. EJE)	Sherbro
1937	Anna Amelia Shafer	Taiama
1956-1962	Mary Alice Lippert	Moyamba
1962-1963	Edna Kline	Sierra Leone
1982-1989	Dorothy Gilbert	Sierra Leone