WHAT IS THE SHEEP FUND?

“But whoever has the world’s goods, and sees his brother in need and closes his heart against him, how does the love of God abide in him? Little children, let us not love with word or with tongue, but in need and truth.”
1 John 3:17-18

The SHEEP Fund is the next step in enhancing the Penn West Conference’s partnership, and sharing our blessings with our partners in the Northwest Luzon Conference of the United Church of Christ in the Philippines. Administered through the PWC, and the national setting of the UCC, this fund will be devoted to providing educational assistance to the children and seminarians of the NWLC.

Just a few US dollars will help assist the NWLC in providing Sunday school, summer bible camps, and scholarships for pastors to attend seminary and/or obtain further training. These are just a few examples. It is our hope that the SHEEP Fund will provide critical assistance to our NWLC partners, and help us in the PWC to further God’s work in this world.

WILL THE SHEEP FUND REALLY MATTER?

The average cost of tuition for a Masters in Divinity at Silliman University in the Philippines with room, board and associated fees is $5,815.00 per year. The average yearly salary in the Philippines is $2,484, and that’s on the high end (pastors make much less)! The SHEEP Fund will make a huge impact!

YOU MENTIONED HELPING CHILDREN?

SHEEP Fund dollars will also make a HUGE impact with religious programs for children at the local NWLC level. Sunday schools, summer Bible camps and local youth groups will all benefit from these donations. Scholarships will open a whole new world for these children that they only dream about now!

HOW CAN I HELP?

Donations can be sent directly to the “SHEEP Fund,” c/o Penn West Conference, 312 South Maple Avenue, Suite PWC, Greensburg, PA 15601. Online donations can also be made at www.pennwest.org. Whether donating via check, or online, please clearly indicate that your donation is for the SHEEP Fund!