

GRANT #4

SOLAR LANTERNS BRIGHTEN AFRICAN WOMEN'S LIVES

\$5,000

Lutheran Women in Mission, St. Peters, CA



Valerie Stonebreaker has been a long-term missionary in Togo, Africa since 1998, helping the women of eight villages with literacy classes. These women struggle to raise their families, changing diapers and caring for the sick in the dark. They also supplement their income by making colorful bags and selling them at market. Their huts, which are dark most of the day as well as at night, could be more comfortable homes, not just roofs over their heads, by the use of amazing solar powered lanterns. Luci Solar Lanterns are inflatable, packable, rechargeable, waterproof and maintenance free. These lights would better these women's lives by allowing them to work on their crafts and literacy program in the evenings. They can read God's Word and find His light in their lives. This grant will fund the purchase of 317 Luci Solar Lanterns.