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MOBILITY WORLDWIDE ESTABLISHES LIBERIAN AFFILIATE

Mobility Worldwide, an international humanitarian Christian charity that builds specialized wheelchair-carts for those living in the developing world, has advanced a plan to create a production site in Gbanga, Liberia. A team of Mobility Worldwide representatives, headed by John Rudd, chair of the NGO's board of trustees, visited with officials of the Liberian United Methodist Conference to agree on details to move the effort forward. Liberia's Bishop Samuel J. Quire, Jr. signed the agreement in Monrovia on February 19th, along with Rudd and Mobility Worldwide's Executive Director, Scott Walters.

Mobility Worldwide has provided the United Methodist Church in Liberia with hundreds of carts for nearly a decade. While these Mobility Carts were manufactured in the United States, in the future the carts will be assembled and eventually manufactured

in Liberia using a locally based workforce. Many thousands of Liberians are in need of Mobility Carts which are ideal for



John Rudd (L), Chr., Board of Trustees, Mobility Worldwide and Liberia's Bishop Samuel J. Quire, Jr. (C) sign an MOU agreeing to work together in developing an affiliate in Ganta, Liberia as Scott Walters, MW's Executive Director looks on.

environments where roads are in disrepair and sidewalks don't exist. Through an operation in Liberia, Mobility Worldwide will be able to forgo shipping costs to the West African nation while employing those who are unable to walk.

"We are on an aggressive path to expand outside the US as we strive to help 10-times as many people in the future as we do nowadays", according to John Rudd. "The Liberian Methodist Church has been a valued partner for many years and we are thankful that we can now take another even bigger step to help more people", he said.

ABOUT MOBILITY WORLDWIDE:

Mobility Worldwide was founded in 1994 as the P.E.T. Mobility Project. Over 80,000 Mobility Carts have been distributed in 104 countries since its founding. Carts are built among a network of 24 affiliates located throughout the US, Zambia and Sierra Leone. Carts are donated to distribution partners who handle the shipping, importation and assessment of beneficiaries and then given free of charge to those in need. Mobility Worldwide is a tax-exempt 501 (C) (3) NGO/charity with a mission to *reflect the love of God by bringing mobility and dignity to those in developing countries who are unable to walk.* To find out more, get involved or donate, visit MobilityWorldwide.org.