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Expanding Care to “1001 Orphans”

By Kim Krull

Losing one or both parents to the AIDS virus is bad enough, says Concordia Lutheran Ministries (CLM) President and CEO Keith Frndak. But for too many Kenyan orphans, that loss is only the beginning of a tragic descent into even greater hopelessness and poverty.

“It’s bad enough when your parents die of AIDS, you may or may not have the disease, and you’re living in extreme poverty without any family structure,” said Frndak. “But if we can help connect orphans with a family, good things happen.”

Connecting Kenyan orphans with Christian families is the goal of “1001 Orphans,” a home-based care program now being coordinated and launched by CLM, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kenya (ELCK), and LCMS World Relief and Human Care (WR-HC). Ministry leaders developed the program as an opportunity to make a lasting difference for children who might otherwise end up destitute on the streets. CLM is providing funding for the program’s first year, with the goal that 1001 Orphans will become self-sustaining in subsequent years through the support of caring Christian donors. (See the accompanying story on page 3 for information on how you can learn more about 1001 Orphans.)

1001 Orphans also is an opportunity to expand the number of children being served by WR-HC and ministry partners, including through the Kenyan Orphan Support program, which has matched about 200 children with sponsors.

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CONNECTING KENYAN ORPHANS WITH CHRISTIAN FAMILIES IS THE GOAL OF 1001 ORPHANS, A HOME-BASED CARE PROGRAM BEING LAUNCHED AND COORDINATED BY CONCORDIA LUTHERAN MINISTRIES (CLM), THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN KENYA, AND LCMS WORLD RELIEF AND HUMAN CARE. ON ONE OF HIS MANY TRIPS TO AFRICA, CLM BOARD MEMBER REV. JAMISON HARDY MET THESE CHILDREN, WHO WEAR STICKERS GIVEN TO THEM BY MINISTRY LEADERS VISITING AN ORPHAN RESCUE CENTER.

A Glimpse into Hurricane Ike Recovery

By Sarah Schaffer

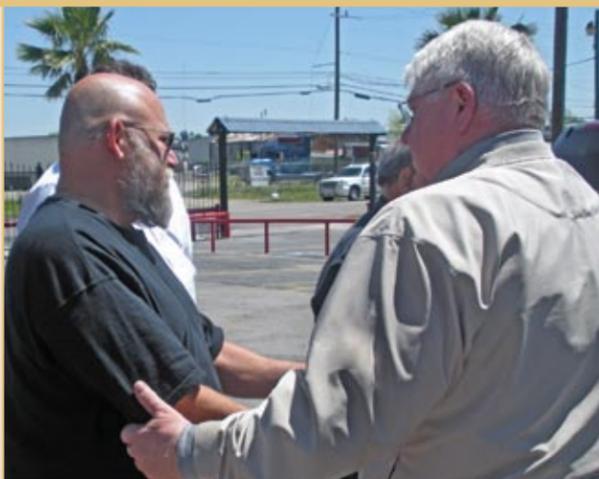
The church has sent a message to the congregations and families continuing to clean and repair worship facilities and homes more than six months after Hurricane Ike struck the Texas coast: You do not stand alone! With the support of donors, LCMS World Relief and Human Care (WR-HC) awarded more than \$65,000 in emergency grants to help churches, families, and communities get back on their feet. These are just a few of the people the church has touched through WR-HC’s Disaster Response ministry.

DANIEL AND MARIA ORTIZ

“We didn’t have electricity for three weeks,” said Daniel Ortiz of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Houston. “The stores were closed so there was no food. There was no gas. We have a generator but we couldn’t run it. We couldn’t get to our money [banks were closed] to pay to get out.”

The Ortiz’ home had six inches of water after the hurricane, and mold began to grow. Three trees had fallen across their lawn. As a caterer, Daniel’s freezer full of meat would be wasted.

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DANIEL ORTIZ, LEFT, SHAKES HANDS WITH LCMS WORLD RELIEF AND HUMAN CARE MINISTRY REPRESENTATIVE CHARLIE KIERSCH. IN MARCH, IN THANKS TO ALL DONORS WHO MADE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE POSSIBLE AFTER HURRICANE IKE, DESPITE ISSUES AT HIS OWN HOME, AND A SERIOUS SURGERY AFTER FALLING FROM A LADDER, ORTIZ SHOWED CHRIST’S COMPASSION TO HIS NEIGHBORS IN THE WEEKS FOLLOWING THE HURRICANE.

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“1001 Orphans is an opportunity to reach out with mercy and give orphans what we want every child to have – a loving family and the love of Christ,” said Rev. Dr. Albert B. Collver III, WR-HC executive pastoral assistant. “Our brothers and sisters in the ELCK already do so much to help children. Now, we can help our partner church build capacity and touch even more young lives.”

An estimated eight percent of Kenyan adults are living with the HIV virus, and 1.2 million Kenyan children already have lost at least one parent to the disease, says Rev. David Chuchu, Diakonia Compassionate Ministry project coordinator for the ELCK.

Without a family, an orphan’s future is bleak. Most are forced to drop out of school because they no longer have family to pay school tuition, which is required in Kenya. Many orphans are exploited through child labor. Orphaned girls often suffer sexual exploitation and become prostitutes.

The 1001 Orphans program, Chuchu says, will guide at-risk children away from dangerous pitfalls and into the homes of loving families who can help them grow up as responsible Christians.

The program grew out of conversations with Chuchu and ELCK Bishop Rev. Walter Obare about how LCMS partners could help the Kenyan church most efficiently care for more orphans. Ministry leaders developed 1001 Orphans based on the ELCK’s strong human care foundation and designed to meet three main needs:

- Family and spiritual care support, by placing each orphan with a Christian family with ties to a local ELCK congregation and an ELCK deaconess.
- Family budget support, by providing money or food to supplement the already stretched-thin resources of a Kenyan family who take in an orphan.
- Education support, by providing funds that enable an orphan to attend school.

1001 Orphans will care for children in 20 ELCK parishes. (In Kenya, a parish includes four or five congregations.) The ELCK will operate the program, working through 20 deaconesses who are responsible for one parish and will oversee the care of about 50 orphans.



ALONG WITH CONNECTING CHILDREN WITH CHRISTIAN FAMILIES AND SPIRITUAL CARE SUPPORT, THE 1001 ORPHANS PROGRAM ALSO PROVIDES FUNDS FOR A YOUNGSTER’S EDUCATION. MOST ORPHANS ARE FORCED TO DROP OUT OF SCHOOL BECAUSE THEY NO LONGER HAVE PARENTS TO PAY TUITION AND BUY A SCHOOL UNIFORM, WHICH ARE REQUIRED IN KENYA.

The 1001 Orphans program name reflects CLM’s roots. Today, the LCMS Recognized Service Organization is best known for senior care, serving older adults in western Pennsylvania through retirement living centers and other services. But the Cabot-based ministry began as an orphanage. From 1881 through 1954, Frndak estimates that CLM cared for 1,000 orphans.

CLM seeks to help provide care for 1000 Kenyan orphans – “plus one lost sheep,” Frndak says. “We made the number 1001 as a reminder that there’s always another person who needs care, and that the church’s work is never done,” Frndak said.

Kenya’s extreme poverty may be hard for most Americans to fathom. “Take the average standard of living we have in this country, and reduce it by 85 percent,” said Rev. Jamison Hardy, a CLM board member and pastor at Peace Lutheran Church, McMurray, Pa.

Hardy has visited Africa 10 times, including project trips with WR-HC. He has seen firsthand the tremendous needs of Kenyan children – and the youngsters’ tremendous gratitude for every gift of assistance, no matter how small. “Most Americans eat at least two meals a day. We have so much,” Hardy said. “The reality is that we probably eat

more food at one meal that the average Kenyan child will eat in one day.”

Kenyan children cannot imagine American closets and drawers filled with clothing and shoes. Many Kenyan youngsters dress in tatters. If they attend school, they have one uniform, which is required to enroll in classes.

The Kenyan culture includes a strong sense of family. Even families already struggling to feed their own children take in orphans. “With Kenyan families, it’s not about numbers; it’s about need,” Hardy said. “If an orphan needs a place to sleep, a family puts two children in one bed.”

Support provided through 1001 Orphans will ease the financial burden on Kenyan families who care for children in need. In addition to giving orphans a family home, the program will connect them with an ELCK church home.

“This is a wonderful opportunity to meet human need while also sharing the Gospel message,” Frndak said. “Our brothers and sisters in Christ in Kenya are trying to meet unbelievable human needs. We can each be a partner in meeting needs and doing something for the glory of God.”



From the Executive Director

Now is the Time for Mission Mercy

“Our whole life is enclosed and established in the bosom of the mercy of God.”
Martin Luther, AE 12:320

Christ, have mercy! This is an unprecedented time of opportunity for the church, and mercy is the key to seizing the moment. This book is written with the conviction that mercy – the mercy of Christ to and for us – and our demonstration of that mercy to those within and outside the body of Christ is the key to the future of the church. Mercy is the key to mission and stewardship. It is the key to living our Christian lives together in love and forgiveness. We desperately need to learn more deeply of the mercy of Christ so we may learn how to care for one another in the church. Mercy is the key to moving boldly and confidently into the future with courage in the Gospel – a confidence and courage based on conviction.

I write as a convinced, convicted, and unapologetic clergyman of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. The public confession of the Lutheran church – most fundamentally stated in the Book of Concord – is my own, without equivocation. I believe C.F.W. Walther, the founder of the LCMS, explicated the faith correctly, also on the doctrines of church and ministry. Wather’s doctrines of the ministry (that is all but unknown) show a side of the pastor’s divinely given role of care for the needy. I find Martin Luther’s ability to state the truth with a unique turn of phrase particularly delightful and trust you will too.

Lord, have mercy! May He use my stammerings and nascent thoughts to spur on the work of mercy in the name of Christ and His Gospel! May others more talented and capable take up the cause! May He grant us courage to seize the moment, the moment of mercy, for the sake of Christ and His Gospel.

Rev. Matthew Harrison
Executive Director, LCMS World Relief and Human Care

(Excerpted from the preface of “Christ Have Mercy: How to Put Your Faith in Action” by Rev. Matthew Harrison. See “New from LCMS World Relief and Human Care” on page 4 for more information.)

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MERCY
How to Put Your
Faith in Action
Matthew C. Harrison



CHRIST HAVE MERCY: HOW TO PUT YOUR FAITH IN ACTION IS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT WWW.CPH.ORG.

Helping Kenyan Children

By Kim Krull

Orphan care is nothing new for LCMS World Relief and Human Care (WR-HC), but 1001 Orphans is a new expansion of how the Synod's mercy arm is reaching out with God's love to Kenyan children.

Over the years, WR-HC has partnered with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kenya (ELCK) on many programs that care for orphans by meeting education, healthcare, and spiritual care needs. These efforts include building orphan rescue centers, a base for education and religion classes and providing for physical needs. Rescue centers serve orphans who live with families and also are a home for orphans who otherwise would live on the street.

WR-HC donors also sponsor about 200 children through the Kenyan Orphan Support program. Launched with the help of the LCMS New England District, this program connects caring Christians with "their" orphan, providing the child with lodging, food, healthcare, and education.

Today, Concordia Lutheran Ministries is providing funding to launch the first year of 1001 Orphans and expand the number of Kenyan children who can be served through the Synod's mercy arm and



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ministry partners. The goal is for the program to become self-supporting in subsequent years, with support from caring Christian donors.

To learn more about 1001 Orphans, send your e-mail address to lcms.worldrelief@lcms.org or call 800-248-1930, ext. 1380. For more information about LCMS World Relief and Human Care, visit www.lcms.org/worldrelief.

Six Ways You Can Reach Out with the Mercy Arm:

- ▶ Mail your check to: LCMS World Relief and Human Care, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861.
- ▶ Call toll-free 888-930-4438 to make a credit card gift.
- ▶ Use the Internet to make a credit card gift at <http://givenowlcms.org>; click on "LCMS World Relief and Human Care."
- ▶ Join the Shepherd's Staff giving club. Contact Shepherd's Staff Manager Kathy Wakeman at kathy.wakeman@lcms.org or 800-248-1930, ext. 1648.
- ▶ Set up automatic gift giving through deductions from your bank account or charges to your MasterCard, Visa, or Discover credit card.
- ▶ Learn how you can make a gift through a bequest, endowment, or another gift planning opportunity. Contact Hans Springer, LCMS WR-HC associate executive director for fund development, at hans.springer@lcms.org or 800-248-1930, ext. 1693.

Thank you for caring – and sharing mercy with people in need!

Hurricane Ike continued

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But Daniel and Maria focused on what they could do and they invited the neighbors for barbecues.

"Everyone at Immanuel will tell you, I don't know what to do with wood and nails, but give me a piece of wood and I can cook you up something good," he said.

The Ortiz family was one of a number that Immanuel assisted with a \$2,600 WR-HC grant. "Your help was a big blessing," said Daniel. "There's nothing more I can really say."

REV. TIMOTHY DINGER

In March, Rev. Timothy and Nancy Dinger's young son, Seth, was anxious to move back into his room – the walls freshly painted in camouflage.

With four feet of water in the Dinger's home, they lost nearly everything on the ground level – cherished Bibles, the family piano. Besides receiving a large grant from FEMA and assistance from WR-HC, Rev. Dinger says financial and volunteer support has come from across the nation. "These are gifts from the heart," said Nancy.

Structural repairs and new drywall were taken care of, and yard work was done by volunteers. "We truly have been blessed by the church at large," said Rev. Dinger.

Seth's two sisters now live in the upstairs bedrooms of the house – the least affected part of the home. Rev. Dinger, Nancy, and Seth are living in a FEMA trailer on the property. Rev. Dinger says the family will certainly celebrate when they're all back in the house in a few months.

REV. ALAN TAYLOR

For much of the six months of Hurricane Ike recovery, Rev. Alan Taylor, pastor at St. John Lutheran Church in Galveston, has overseen two work sites: restoring the church and rehabbing his own home.

Rather than rebuild, church members decided to restore the church. Groups from across the nation

have helped. Four feet of water-soaked 1954 clear pine paneling in the sanctuary were re-milled. On March 8, students from Redeemer Lutheran School in Austin swept and dusted the sanctuary. Middle school students at a nearby Lake Jackson public school are restoring the pews.

It could be many more months before the sanctuary is finished. Taylor says the roof will need some major work.

After working all day at the church, Taylor would drive home to do the same – this time gutting and rebuilding. In February, he and his wife moved back into their home.

"We've been very, very blessed," he said.

REV. CHARLES WOKOMA

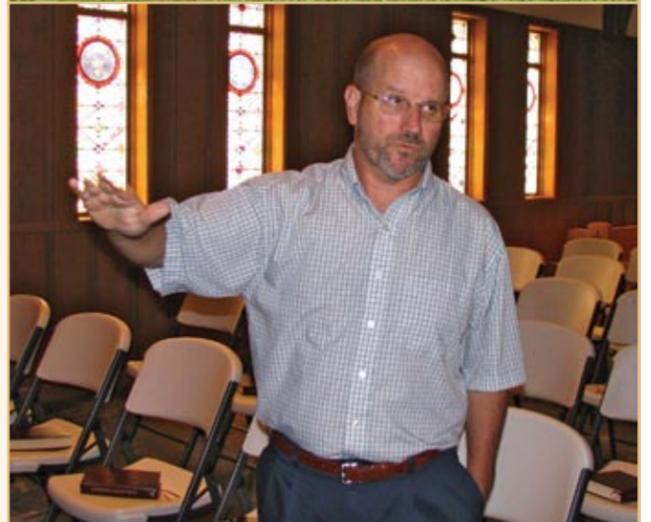
"As we get into next hurricane season, I'll be watching," said Rev. Charles Wokoma of Houston. The Nigerian immigrant had no concept of hurricanes. Despite media advisories he wasn't prepared. The day before Hurricane Ike hit, a receptionist at Memorial Lutheran Church, Houston, shared food and water supplies.

Wokoma's home had major water and roof damage. Houseguests threw mattresses against windows to keep water from pouring in, and scooped cups of water out of the upstairs bedrooms.

Memorial members utilized grant dollars from WR-HC to help Rev. Wokoma and others pay for repairs. However, he must still replace carpeting and hire specialists to take care of mold.

"I had no clue of someone helping me, let alone financially. I was shocked that my church can do this for me," said Wokoma. "I've learned to be prepared. I've learned to fix a lot of things, things I didn't think I could do before."

View more stories and photos from those aided by donations to "Hurricane Relief 2008" at www.lcms.org/worldrelief.



TOP: LCMS WORLD RELIEF AND HUMAN CARE MINISTRY REPRESENTATIVES JOHN LEWIS, ERIC BATCHELDER, AND SCOTT FRIEND HELP REV. TIMOTHY DINGER MOVE A COUCH TO THE CURB FOR PICKUP. THE DINGER FAMILY IS ANXIOUS TO MOVE OUT OF THEIR FEMA TRAILER AND BACK INTO THEIR HOME.

CENTER: REV. ALAN TAYLOR DESCRIBES RESTORATION EFFORTS AT ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH IN GALVESTON FOLLOWING HURRICANE IKE. THE CONGREGATION USES FOLDING CHAIRS WHILE MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS AT A NEARBY PUBLIC SCHOOL CAREFULLY SAND AND STAIN THE CHURCH'S PEWS. TAYLOR MOVED BACK INTO HIS OWN HOME IN FEBRUARY AFTER MONTHS OF RENOVATION.

BOTTOM: REV. CHARLES WOKOMA HAS AN OFFICE AT MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, HOUSTON. UNAWARE OF HURRICANE IKE, HE RECEIVED WARNING AND SUPPLIES FROM A CHURCH RECEPTIONIST THE DAY BEFORE IT HIT. THE CHURCH WAS ALSO QUICK TO HELP WHEN HIS HOME, PARTICULARLY HIS ROOF, WAS DAMAGED.

New from LCMS World Relief and Human Care

ONLINE STORE

Popular Kenyan art goods and other LCMS World Relief and Human Care items are now available for sale online. Check out the WR-HC online store at www.lcms.org/wrhcstore. All proceeds provide assistance to artists and their families.

BOOK ADVOCATES FOR LIVES OF MERCY

Through Scripture study, real-life experiences, and the writings of Lutheran church fathers, Rev. Matthew Harrison's latest book *Christ Have Mercy: How to Put Your Faith in Action* urges Christians to consider opportunities to show mercy to fellow Christians and to anyone God places in our path.

"... Harrison has a passion for showing how the human care mission of the church need not be social gospel nor a mere strategy for promoting for the gospel, but is part and parcel of what it

means to be the Church. ... this book deserves the attention of informed members of the LCMS and will be of keen interest to any Christian involved in social action and human care and desiring to understand more fully the theological basis for such heavenly work in the dying world." (Rev. Peter A. Speckhard, *First Things*)

Christ Have Mercy includes a study guide and is available through Concordia Publishing House at www.cph.org/worldrelief or 800-325-3040.

A LOOK AT CLERGY AND DEPRESSION

LCMS World Relief and Human Care newest resource, Rev. Todd Peperkorn's personal journey through depression, *I Trust When Dark My Road: A Lutheran View of Depression* is expected to hit shelves late-June. To pre-order your complimentary copy, call 800-248-1930, ext. 1380.

Ten Mercy Moments (Out of Thousands!)

Every day, LCMS World Relief and Human Care (WR-HC) touches lives with Christ's mercy, thanks to the support of our generous donors. Here are just a few recent examples of how your gifts helped our ministry make a difference:

1. Mercy Medical Teams: Already this year, WR-HC Mercy Medical Teams have cared for thousands in Indonesia and Kenya. To join or support our next teams traveling to Kenya, July 3-12, or to Madagascar, Oct. 21 – Nov. 1, visit www.lcms.org/mercyteams.

2. Hands of Mercy: Through nursing homes, adoption programs and more, LCMS Registered Service Organizations share Christ in tangible ways. Learn more at the new Web page offered by WR-HC, www.lcms.org/handsofmercy.

3. Task Force on Domestic Violence and Child Abuse: WR-HC gathered this group of church workers and lay professionals to develop resources and training opportunities to help the church assist women and children who often suffer in silence.

4. Specialized Pastoral Ministry Recruitment Task Force: Chaplains and pastoral counselors serve people during some of their darkest days. This task force, under the auspices of WR-HC, aims to boost the number of LCMS church workers serving in specialized pastoral ministries.

5. Domestic Grants: The Synod's mercy arm distributed a total of \$250,000 in domestic grants, enabling 19 social ministry organizations, congregations, and districts to continue programs and services for people in need.

6. Older Adult Workshops: WR-HC's Rev. Carlos Hernandez and Deaconess Dorothy Krans presented a new workshop to help congregations connect with older adults. To learn about "Connecting Seniors with Christian Service," call Krans, 800-248-1930, ext. 1636, or Hernandez, 314-956-2005.

7. New Deaconess Curriculum: At the invitation of the India Evangelical Lutheran Church, Deaconess Grace Rao, WR-HC district mercy contact, helped write a new deaconess degree program that will train women for mercy ministry.

8. Latin American Deaconess Gathering: WR-HC joined the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Argentina and LCMS World Mission in presenting the first gathering of Latin American deaconesses, in Buenos Aires, raising awareness of these women's much needed ministry.

9. North Dakota Flood Response: To help flood-weary congregations and communities, WR-HC awarded \$23,540 in emergency grants to the North Dakota and Minnesota North Districts. Follow-up pastoral care visits are planned for early June. See www.lcms.org/worldrelief under "Disaster News."

10. Tsunami Survivor Homes: Twenty-five new homes are being built in Sri Lanka for tsunami survivors still living in temporary housing after the 2004 disaster. Darin Storkson, WR-HC regional director in Asia, is working with the Lanka Lutheran Church and a local congregation on the project.



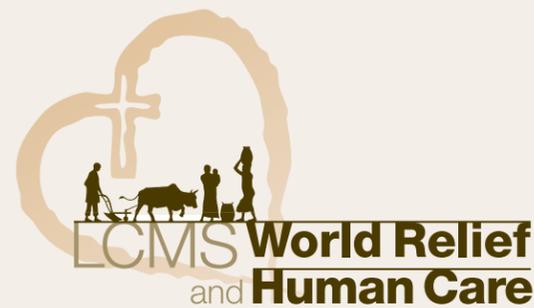
1. HILKE SCHIRMER, A REGISTERED NURSE AND LCMS MEMBER FROM GUILFORD, CONN., TAKES AN INDONESIAN WOMAN'S BLOOD PRESSURE DURING A MERCY MEDICAL TEAM TRIP FEB. 15-25 TO THE ASIAN COUNTRY. THE TEAM TREATED 1,128 INDONESIANS IN THE IMPOVERISHED COMMUNITIES OF BANDA ACEH AND JAKARTA, BOTH HARD-HIT BY THE TSUNAMI IN 2004.



4. DEACONESS CHERRYLL HOFFMAN, A PASTORAL COUNSELOR, MEETS WITH THE SYNOD'S NEWEST AND YOUNGEST CLINICAL PASTORAL EDUCATOR (CPE) JEFF SCHEER, AT THE APRIL MEETING OF THE SPECIALIZED PASTORAL MINISTRY RECRUITMENT TASK FORCE. SCHEER JOINS A DECLINING NUMBER OF 13 FELLOW LCMS CPE SUPERVISORS, INCLUDING MOST WHO SERVE ONLY PART-TIME AND ARE APPROACHING RETIREMENT.



8. REV. CARLOS HERNANDEZ, (BACK ROW, SECOND FROM RIGHT) DIRECTOR OF DISTRICTS AND CONGREGATIONS FOR LCMS WORLD RELIEF AND HUMAN CARE, IS SURROUNDED BY DEACONESS STUDENTS FROM PANAMA. HERNANDEZ WAS A PRESENTER AT THE FIRST-EVER DEACONESS GATHERING IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN HELD THE END OF APRIL.



Mercy forever.

Our Mission

The mission of the church through LCMS World Relief and Human Care is to reach out in mercy and compassion to those in need, motivated by Christ and His Gospel, according to the Lutheran confession of the faith.

Our Core Values

- ▀ **Mercy** – Demonstrating the unconditional compassion and love of God in Christ Jesus through works of mercy.
- ▀ **Fidelity** – Demonstrating faithfulness to Holy Scripture, the Lutheran Confessions, and the mission of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.
- ▀ **Integrity** – Affirming honor and accountability in our relationships with partners and donors.
- ▀ **Capacity** – Developing and strengthening internal resources to meet human care needs in proximity to Word and Sacrament.

Our Vision

- ▀ **One Mission** – Showing Christ's mercy to all with fidelity.
- ▀ **One Message** – Reflecting Christ's love in Word and deed with integrity.
- ▀ **One People** – United in Christ with capacity to show mercy.

Our unique mission is to strengthen local Lutheran partners – congregations, human care organizations, missionaries, partner churches – to respond to Christ's love by serving their communities.

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