

Mission Moments

Sharing ways that Mission Support dollars from congregations are at work in the Western Iowa Synod and through our ELCA churchwide ministries. Thank you for caring and sharing. For Christ's mission has a church.

Center for Agricultural Development (CAD)

Lupembe, Tanzania is where the Center for Agricultural Development is taking shape. This presents a special opportunity to connect, share, and assist in sustainable agricultural development that will impact many with the potential to shape a nation.

The proposal is for a 4H-type program focused on the smallholder farmers, youth/young adults (ages 14-40 in Tanzania), and women -- segments in Tanzania seen as primary change agents. Find out more at the CAD Partnership Event or on the Web at www.wisynod.org/companion_synod.htm.

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Lay School of Ministry

Equipping, empowering, preparing God's people for service in congregations with pastoral leaders is what happens through this program. Grounded in Bible study, centered in our Lutheran Confessional writings with directed reading, group interaction and practical experience make for enhanced learning.

Is God leading you to being better equipped to assist in your congregation? Check out the Western Iowa Synod Lay School of Ministry at www.wisynod.org/lay_school_of_ministry.htm or talk with someone who has participated in this program. You might just find a new way to be engaged in living your faith.

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ELCA TV Advertisements

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) launched a national television "brand campaign" on cable channels and in selected television markets. "The purpose of the ELCA brand campaign is to grow awareness of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and inspire members to invite others to a worship service," said Kristi S. Bangert, executive director, ELCA Communication Services.

Congregations can also help spread awareness, she said. A congregational marketing kit, featuring bulletin inserts, postcards, posters and an outdoor banner supporting the campaign are available online at www.ELCA.org/ads/kit on the ELCA Web site.

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