

Dear Friends in Christ:

We are thrilled to share with you that Hannah Haussmann of St. Marks Lutheran church in Williamsport has been appointed by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America to serve as a volunteer in the ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission (YAGM) Program. Hannah will serve in Cambodia for one year beginning later this summer.

This year, the ELCA will be sending volunteers to serve in four country programs: Argentina & Uruguay, Cambodia, Mexico, and the United Kingdom. Each of these young adults will work in a church, school, health and development project, or social service ministry. Volunteers are encouraged to share more about their work once they have arrived in country and started service!

On average, the total cost to support one young adult volunteer in this program is over \$25,000. As part of accepting this invitation to serve as a YAGM volunteer, Hannah is responsible for raising a minimum of \$10,000 toward their year of service. The ELCA will offset the remaining costs needed for the volunteer's support through other generous donations from congregations and individuals. Any funds raised beyond the \$10,000 goal go to support the future development and expansion of the Young Adults in Global Mission program.

We would like to ask you to prayerfully consider the ways in which you can support Hannah during this year. Your support can come in a number of ways including encouragement, writing letters and emails during her year of service, and praying for her throughout this year. In addition, we would like to invite you to consider making a financial contribution in support of Hannah. Your gift would be much appreciated in making this service possible.

We believe that this program not only will benefit the young adults who serve, but the ELCA also will benefit as these young adults, touched by the world, return to the U.S. and share their gifts of commitment, faith, and service with the church. Hannah will be sharing their experience through newsletter updates throughout their time in service and you'll be able to witness firsthand the way God is working through her and those who she is in accompaniment with.

You are welcome to share a gift in a variety of ways. To give by phone, please call 800-638-3522. To give by mail, please make your check out to ELCA Global Mission and on the memo line, please include [YAGM – GCS3621]. Send checks to Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, ELCA Gift Processing, P.O. Box 1809, Merrifield, VA, 22116-8009. You are also welcome to give online by going to Hannah's Peer2Peer giving page at: <https://give.elca.org/p2p/site/PZSdn/page/epS6zX#/>

Thank you for your nurture and support of Hannah Haussmann, who has discerned God's call to global mission service. Through Hannah, you will be able to participate in the church's global mission. We pray that you will be blessed to learn what God is doing in Argentina/Uruguay as Hannah shares their story with you throughout the year and that you consider supporting Hannah financially. Above all, your prayers, support, and encouragement are greatly appreciated.

In faith,

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