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Dear Fellow Redeemed in Christ, Partners in Mission,

God sometimes grants His children to see the fruit of their labors. A farmer watches fields yield their grain, parents attend the wedding of their son or daughter to one they are confident will be a good and faithful mate, and a mother brings forth a new life into the world, completing her labor in great joy. The Apostle Paul worked hard as a midwife over the Galatian congregation, *"my little children, for whom I am again in the anguish of childbirth until Christ is formed in you!"* (Galatians 4:19). Yesterday, I witnessed the ordination of five I first began to teach in August of 2008.



Five MLTC graduates are ordained into the holy ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kenya, November 21, 2010, at the Cathedral of the Lake Diocese in Kisumu. From L to R - Benard Ngode, Isaiah Apiyo, Titus Mutinda, Jerim Onanda, and George Odhiambo.

Your support and prayers and the faithful blessings of our gracious God have worked to make it so. Praise God! Thank you for working with us in this ministry, enabling many to continue the study of God's Word and its pure doctrine, that Christ may be made known among the nations.



Bachelor of Theology student Rev. Peter Bosire concentrates on a translation quiz on Galatians, Chapter 2, on November 2, 2010.



Red orange dust from volcanic soil and rock flies upward as drilling commences on the new bore hole, overseen by a hydrologist from Kericho, November 22, 2010. The well will supply the college as well as community with fresh, cool and drinkable water from a depth of 175 meters!



Rev. Dr. Reijo Arkkila of Finland, MLTC's original principal, preaches in chapel, November 10, 2010.



The Bachelor of Theology class, comprised mostly of ordained pastors, takes its final examination on St. Paul's Epistle to the Galatians, Friday morning, November 19, 2010



A lioness and her cub relax in the shade of a small tree after feasting on a zebra kill in the Masai Mara, November 20, 2010.



The Deaconess class, the first to receive the Diploma in the Deaconate from MLTC, enjoys a day together to celebrate the completion of their studies, December 3, 2010. I taught them Catechism, Modern Theology, and Romans.



I will return to the US for Christmas break and trips to San Mateo and Fort Wayne. Next semester, I am scheduled to teach Dogmatics II, Romans, I-II-III John, and Greek. This last should be a fun challenge, since I have never taught a language before and I am getting more and more fascinated with the original language of the New Testament, and use it often in nearly all of my classes.



With your faithfulness and God's blessing, we are ending 2010 in the black in fulfillment of the service of Project Timothy – Kenya to the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kenya. Thank you for your partnership in the Gospel!

As we celebrate the Nativity of Our Lord, God grant you much joy and peace in believing the Christmas Gospel: ***“But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law”*** (Galatians 4:4-5a).



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The quote of the month: “You have created us for Yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless, until they rest in You.” (Augustine of Hippo [354-430], *Confessions* (397-398))

Your brother in Christ,
Rev. Thomas V. Aadland

**And what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses
entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.**

– 2 Timothy 2:2

Previous issues of this newsletter are available at www.projecttimothy-kenya.org.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Thanksgiving for a successful completion of the borehole project, the new well that will yield 4,000 liters per hour of fresh, cool and drinkable water from a depth of 175 meters, benefitting both college and surrounding community.
- Thanksgiving for those who are being prepared as future pastors and deaconesses in East Africa.
- Thanksgiving for the sustained support from individual donors and congregations for Project Timothy – Kenya and the ministry of teaching at Matongo Lutheran Theological College.
- Thanksgiving for God’s providence and healing for our son Andrew during his critical illness.
- Thanksgiving for God’s blessings on the work this past year of The Saint Timothy Society: Rev. Dr. Armand Boehme, Rev. Dr. Michael Albrecht, Mr. Rob Severson, Dr. Chris Barnekov, Rev. Dr. Gordon Bynum, Mrs. Janet Preus, Mr. Tom Watua.
- Physical health & stamina for those at Matongo before threats of malaria, typhus and cholera.
- Continued civil peace and stability as Kenyans make the transition under their new Constitution.
- Openness to the Gospel of Christ and rejection of all false substitutes for it in Kenya.
- Spiritual strength to withstand any attacks of the Enemy.
- Resources to expand the facilities at Matongo for a growing student population.
- Funds to support the doctoral program study of Rev. Moses Okoyo at Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana.
- A successful reception for the grant proposal for funds needed to expand the MLTC library.
- Successful completion of plans for an exchange visit by students and faculty from Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana, February 26 – March 11, 2011, and for travel safety for all.