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Dear Fellow Redeemed in Christ, Partners in Mission,

Epiphany celebrates the movement of the Gospel out into the nations of the earth. As the magi were brought from the East by the sign of a star and by God's Word in Micah 5:2 to Bethlehem to see Jesus there, so the church brings Christ wherever there are the lost and condemned children of Adam to hear the blessed news of salvation in Him.

With your enabling help, Project Timothy – Kenya continues to bring Christ through His Word to the nations of East Africa, through the pastors and deaconesses it helps prepare. An end date has not been set to this growing work! So I am making an effort to expand our circle of support.



Previous page, above: Preaching from the pulpit of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, Indiana, once occupied by Rev. F. C. D. Wyneken (1810-1876), for 14 years the second president of The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, January 23, 2011. Photo courtesy of Gennady Khonin.

During the extended Christmas break, I was able to share the efforts of The Saint Timothy Society and what it is doing in Kenya with several congregations I visited in the United States out of the growing number that support this work: Fairview Lutheran Church and Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church in Minnetonka, Minnesota, Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church in San Mateo, California, and St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, Indiana. I also attended the Symposia on Exegesis and the Lutheran Confessions at Concordia Theological Seminary and brought the PTK display to share with other pastors in attendance during January 18-21. I traveled with Rev. Dr. Armand Boehme, President of the Board of Directors for The Saint Timothy Society. Dr. Christopher Barnekov graciously hosted us for the week at Scandinavia House.



Dr. Chris Barnekov, member of the STS Board and Director of Scandinavia House in Ft. Wayne, helps man the PTK display at the Symposia at Concordia Theological Seminary.



Chatting with Gennady Khonin, former Soviet space scientist based in Kazakhstan, now working on a Master in Sacred Theology at CTS, at the Symposia banquet, January 20. "Once we were enemies, now brothers in Christ," he says. Rev. Walter Otten and his wife stand alongside.



Standing: Rev. Daniel Brandt (Sweden), myself, Rev. Dan Kistler (Pacifica, CA), Rev. Charles Froh (San Mateo, CA). Seated: Rev. Dr. Armand Boehme (Northfield, MN) and host Dr. Christopher Barnekov, in the living room of Scandinavia House.



Back to the main task. Discussing sacramental and Trinitarian interpretations of I John 5:6-9. It is hard to imagine a greater joy than to open the Scriptures as I did this day with the baccalaureate class of 30 Kenyan students.



Above, previous page: A photo too beautiful to crop. Standing before the magnificent altar of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne, IN, with Pastors Rev. Peter F. Gregory (left) and Rev. Peter C. Cage (center), following the Divine Service, January 23, 2011. St. Paul's was founded October 14, 1837, and is a Charter Congregation of The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod.



Though the church is severely challenged and tested in Kenya today as she is around the world, the future is always bright with the promises of God. New students continue to come to Matongo, eager to learn God's Word and how to deliver the perfect deliverance dying and condemned sinners desperately need. Christ still brings us His forgiveness, His life and His salvation.

At one time, we considered working for a limited term here in teaching and preaching for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kenya. But the need endures. I have been asked to remain at my post indefinitely to help this young but growing church. Please pray about extending your support and tell others about this work. God bless you as you share in the Epiphany of Christ around the world!



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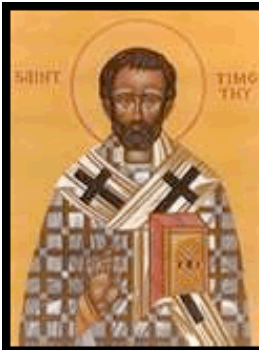
The quote of the month: "There is no Christian life, no life with Christ, without the missionary task."

- Walter Freytag (1899-1959)

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



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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 this past year.
- 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.
- An end of the dry season here and the return of rain for the parched earth of Kenya.