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REGIONAL EMPHASIS – NORTH AMERICA: Equip ELCA members to engage with their local and global communities through mutual relationship and accompaniment. Collaborate with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada concerning missionaries, global events and companion synod relationships.

Accompanying migrant minors with Mexicar civil society organizations that advocate for laws respecting the human rights and dignity of migrants, refugees and asylum-seekers. Read more on page 13.* Photo: Migration Policy Working Group (GTPM).



Advocating for a world with less gender-based violence with the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Colombia (IELCO). Read more on page 14.* Photo: IELCO staff.

REGIONAL EMPHASIS – LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN:

Accompany churches as they do mission, explore new ministry models, train leaders, strengthen their Lutheran identity, respond to emergency situations, defend human rights and promote economic, gender and climate justice. Seek just and humane treatment of migrants, refugees and asylum-seekers through the work of our AMMPARO (Accompanying Migrant Minors with Protection, Advocacy, Representation and Opportunities) companions in the region.



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America God's work. Our hands.

Responding to the COVID-19 pandemic with leaders of the skills development program of the Good News Theological Seminary in Ghana. Read more on page 8.* Photo: Good News staff.

outreach, faith formation, food security, sustainable livelihoods and health.

REGIONAL EMPHASIS – EUROPE: Accompany churches and development organizations that support and empower the most vulnerable populations in the region. Build capacity of minority Lutheran churches for evangelism, mission and development of lay and pastoral leadership.



Rescuing refugees on the Mediterranean with the Evangelical Church in Germany and United4Rescue. Read more on page 12.* Photo: Chris Grodotzki.



Walk with churches as they renew their Lutheran identity and meet challenges of religious plurality in today's context. Accompany them as they address gender justice and tackle concerns over migration and human trafficking.

Building bridges between Christians and Muslims with the Middle East Council of Churches (MECC), in Lebanon. Read more on page 15.* Photo: Our Lady Dispensary Team/MECC.

REGIONAL EMPHASIS – MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA:

Accompany companions in their steadfast Christian witness, service and faith, which are threatened by regional turmoil. Advocate with them for nonviolent paths to more peaceful and just societies and respond to humanitarian needs.

Deepening relationships during a companion synod consultation with the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Papua New Guinea (ELCPNG). Read more on page 11.*

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REGIONAL EMPHASIS – AFRICA: Strengthen mutual relationships and support programs of companion churches addressing conflict prevention, peace and reconciliation, evangelical

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