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# Anniversary Edition RESOURCE PACKET

# 50 YEARS

of ELCA World Hunger

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**“Let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.” –1 John 3:18**

Dear siblings in Christ,

God richly provides for our daily bread – the earth produces more than enough food for every person. Yet nearly 1 in 3 people lacks adequate access to food. As I write to you today, there are nearly 193 million people in 53 countries experiencing food crisis. As a church, together, we know Jesus calls us to respond.

Over the last 50 years we have done just that. Since ELCA World Hunger was launched in 1974, generous people of faith have made it possible for us to connect with local partners in more than 60 countries around the world that are addressing hunger alongside their communities. The global reach of these connections through shared Lutheranism has uniquely positioned us to take on such far-reaching, long-lasting partnerships. In turn, we too have been transformed. It is hard to envision our church without this life-changing ministry.

Reflecting on all we have accomplished since 1974, I wonder what people will say about the next 50 years of our ministry together. As the world faces an astounding rise in hunger, this moment stands out as one when the gifts we share with effective organizations and ministries, such as ELCA World Hunger, can literally change the direction of history for whole communities.

Will you join us and help write the story of our next 50 years together? I invite you to prayerfully consider partnering with ELCA World Hunger as we follow the path of those before us – boldly and hopefully pursuing a just world where all are fed.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Daniel Rift  
Director, ELCA Service and Justice Giving  
ELCA World Hunger and Lutheran Disaster Response

P.S. You can use the contents of this packet to promote the 50th anniversary of ELCA World Hunger in your congregation. Additional copies of these items will be available to order from the ELCA online store.