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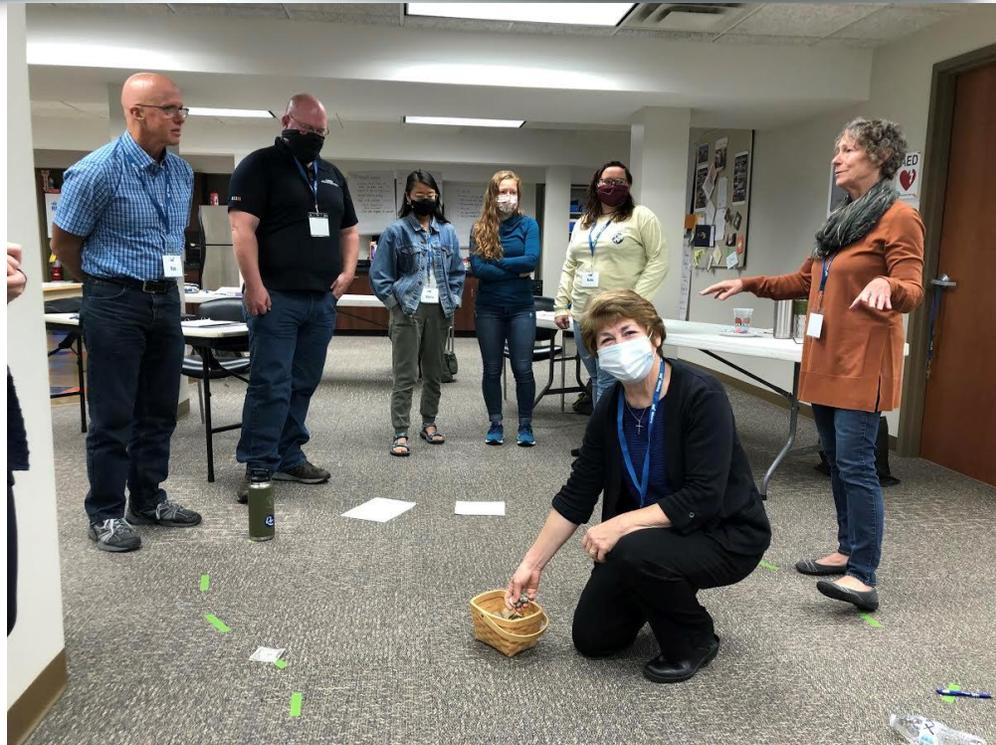
NEWS FROM MIKE AND KAREN SCHEMPF



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“You shall love the Lord you God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.” ...“And who is my neighbor?” Luke 10:27-29 You will recall the young lawyer who was putting Jesus to the test. After Jesus told the story of the Good Samaritan, he was checking comprehension. “Which of these three do you think proved to be a neighbor?” And he said, “The one who showed mercy toward him.” Then Jesus said to him, “Go and do the same.” Luke 10:37. Today, Jesus continues to be interested in ministry to the **WHOLE** person.

October 5-8 we participated in CHE Training. What is CHE? *Christian Health Education/Evangelism*. The goal of CHE is to transform nations through the seamless combination of disease prevention, evangelism and community development. CHE Training gives us a model to use as we work in Sierra Leone with church leaders who will help identify the greatest needs of body and soul in their communities. The intensive four-day training was most helpful as we will work to collaborate with community leaders in mercy ministry that often paves the way for evangelism. Please check out [chenetwork.org](http://chenetwork.org) We appreciate your continued support as we wait on the Lord for our return to Africa. [Michael.Schempf@lcms.org](mailto:Michael.Schempf@lcms.org)



***CHE-We played a Problem Survey Game that could be used in communities to help members identify who is most affected by a specific problem, what are the consequences of this problem, what are the causes or reasons for the problem. The community would then collaborate on solutions to be implemented.***



***Our training was located at FAME (Fellowship of Associates of Medical Evangelism) in Indianapolis. They collect medical supplies/equipment to ship to medical missions around the world. [FAME@FAMEworld.org](mailto:FAME@FAMEworld.org)***



**Please pray for:**

*\*Our return to Africa (in God's perfect time) to work at Christ Evangelical Lutheran Seminary in Sierra Leone*

*\*Families struggling with COVID*

*\*Our nation-that God in His mercy will guide the election process at every level*

**Give thanks for:**

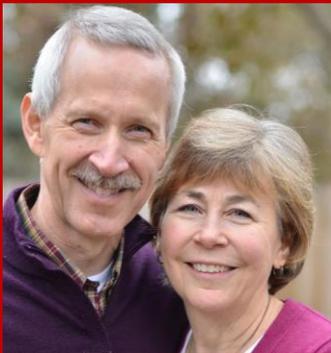
*\*Technology that allows Christians throughout the world to stay connected*

*\*LIMM-Lutherans in Medical Missions global outreach*

*\*CHE-Christian Health Evangelism Training*

*\*The health of our aging parents during this pandemic*

*\*Continued support during this pandemic through individuals, congregations, Mission Central*



**Oct. 4** - Mike had the opportunity to preach and we shared a power-point presentation with the "faith-filled" folks of **Faith Lutheran in Churubusco, IN.**

**Oct 11** - We presented to members of **St. Trinity Lutheran in Clarkston, MI** (Mike's parent's home congregation) We thank these congregations for their ongoing partnership, interest, prayer and financial support.

We thank **LIMM(Lutherans in Medical Missions)** for a grant that enabled us to attend CHE Training. LIMM works with local and global partners to share Christ's healing in medically underserved communities. They are an association of Lutheran health care professionals and laypersons who are committed to the support of Christ's healing ministry throughout the world. Please consider donating to this worthy ministry. To gain more information, watch the video of Sharon Thomas, the Executive Director of LIMM. [Limm.org/who-we-are](http://Limm.org/who-we-are). LIMM is a Recognized Service Organization (ROS) of the LCMS which means they work in harmony with the mission, ministry, doctrine and practice of the LCMS.



**Please pray with us:** Father, Son and Holy Spirit, We thank you for the mercy work of LIMM and CHE that equip people to carry out healing ministry in your name. Bless those who serve through these ministries. In your mercy, guide the US election process at every level. Bring our nation as well as each of us to repentance so that we will receive forgiveness and help in time of need. Draw many people throughout this nation to saving faith in Jesus. In His powerful name we pray. Amen

Thank you for reading this newsletter and for your partnership in this work. Rev. Mike & Karen Schempf  
**"Look to the Lord and His strength, seek His face always." Psalm 105:4**



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