

# Official Adoption Agreement For the

Direct Support of Mission Project

## THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION

*Project EM0001-64003*



This project provides theological education initiatives for our Lutheran church partners throughout Eurasia. The churches with whom we share altar and pulpit fellowship frequently ask us for Continuing Education courses for their own pastors, lay ministers and church workers. This Theological Education project provides the means by which pastors of local church bodies in specific countries within Eurasia may gather together for a week-long course or a conference—always on a topic of the partner church’s own choosing. These courses and seminars make an immediate impact on the local churches. The visiting educators not only teach, but while visiting provide pastoral care to church pastors and other members and hold services on site. Some of LCMS’ finest theologians are deployed to impart education and encouragement. They speak into the context of the local churches they visit and reach out to the local community, joyfully bringing the rich and encouraging news of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This project also provides special annual events such as a Diaconal Seminar for women and a Pastoral and Music Educators conference in Palanga, Lithuania, Russian language theological seminars in Odessa, Ukraine, as well as a regional theological conferences on needed topics, such as Missio Dei (Mission of God) in Brno within the Czech Republic, bringing together pastors, seminary students, and laity from most of Central and Eastern Europe. As local pastors and missionaries in Eurasia continue to share the Gospel and plant more churches, there becomes a greater need for ongoing theological education. Theological Educators from the USA (e.g., CTSFW) as well as local educators from our seminary In Latvia (Riga Luther Academy) participate in offering in-depth study of the Lutheran theology and minister to the spiritual needs of local congregations and the surrounding Christian community. Classes are held primarily in English, with local translators. This project covers the full cost of travel, housing and meals, as well as any incidental costs incurred by our visiting theological educators. Our annual support need is \$100,000.

Amount of support Pledged from our Family or Organization \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
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WE HEREBY AGREE TO SUPPORT THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PROJECT, FORWARDING THE PROCEEDS

TO: MISSION CENTRAL

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Our Gift will be sent: ( ) Once with this agreement, ( ) At the end of one year  
( ) Semi-Annually ( ) Quarterly ( ) Monthly

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