## SERVING THE LORD IN **PUERTO RICO** NEWS FROM ASHLEY LEHR



## ANNUAL REGIONAL MISSIONARY CONFERENCE





August started with the annual Latin American and Caribbean Region Missionary Conference in the Dominican Republic. Where missionary families serving in 9 different countries come together for a time of Bible study, worship, fellowship, and rest. The theme for this year's conference was Confidence in Christ, Confiado en Cristo

At the closing of the Divine Service on the last day of the conference fellow missionaries Jamielynn Tinkey Flores (DR) and Tirzah Krey (DR) were commissioned and installed as deaconesses. This was after completing the deaconess program through Concordia Theological Seminary in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. I am now strongly considering beginning the program to become a deaconesses, talking with others and prayer. Please pray that God would lead me in the direction that he is calling me.











#### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

- All the missionary families in LAC that God would bless them throughout the coming year as we spread the Gospel, Plant Lutheran Churches and Show Mercy.
- The start of English classes in September.
- The Ladies of our three congregations in Puerto Rico.
- The Catechumens that are beginning classes with Pastor Gustavo Maita in September.

#### **GIVE THANKS FOR:**

- My college friend visiting me in Puerto Rico
- New mission sender partnerships that help me continue serving in Puerto Rico.
- The many congregations and individuals who pray for, encourage and support me serving in Puerto Rico.

# WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY AND CLASSES WITH DEACONESS CHRISTEL NEUENDORF.

For over a year I have been meeting weekly with my co-worker and Sister in Christ, Deaconess Christel Neuendorf, for bible study and class on what a deaconess is and how they serve within the Church, and more specifically how it would look for our context in Puerto Rico. I am thankful for the time I have to be in the Word with her. The Holy Spirit has used her to plant a seed in my heart.

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### **FOOD PREPARATION FOR HURRICANE SEASON**

On August 26<sup>th</sup>, Missionary Christel Neuendorf hosted a canning party The ladies prepared and canned food to store for times of serve weather. The products of the day included cans of beef stew, chili, tomato sauce, and apple butter. It was a wonderful bonding and learning experience and now we are more prepared for hurricane season.







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