

Official Adoption Agreement

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**Rev. Arthur and Deaconess Eva Rickman and Family,
Our Missionaries to Panama**
Project #A10898-69312



The Rev. Dr. Arthur and Deaconess Eva Rickman serve the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) as missionaries in Latin America, based in Panama. Arthur serves as a church planter and area facilitator in the region (covering Colombia, Cuba, Mexico and Panama), where he builds and strengthens relationships with Lutherans in the area. In addition, Arthur oversees theological education opportunities, is head administrator of online instruction at Concordia the Reformer Seminary and Mercy Center (Centro de Misericordia y Seminario Concordia el Reformador, or CMSCR) in the Dominican Republic, and manages diaconal work in the area. He serves as the senior pastor in charge of revitalizing Redeemer Lutheran Church, Balboa, Panama, where Eva also serves as a deaconess.

In addition, Eva assists with deaconess formation in the region. She teaches deaconess students at CMSCR, writes curriculum, and mentors the women studying in Panama and Spain.

Arthur and Eva are from Long Beach, Calif., where they attended Bethany Lutheran Church. They both graduated from California State University, Long Beach. Arthur holds a Bachelor of Science degree in microbiology, and Eva earned her bachelor's degree in chemistry, biochemistry and creative writing. As Arthur studied for his Master of Divinity from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Eva worked concurrently toward a Master of Arts in Systematic Theology and Deaconess Certification. The couple then spent two years in Panama, where Arthur served as a vicar while Eva trained deaconesses. Arthur also has an MBA in Management, a Doctorate of Ministry in Leadership, a graduate certificate in Educational Technology and Online Instruction, and an Ed.S. degree in Curriculum and Instruction.

Arthur served as pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Grand Mound, Iowa, before returning to the mission field in 2012. The Rickmans have served as missionaries in both Latin America and Asia. They enjoy spending time and exploring God's creation with their seven children: Bethany, Zoe, Noah, Nathaniel, Mary Anna, Adelheid and Hannah.

Pray for the Rickman family. They write, "Pray for health and safety as we live and serve in Latin America. Pray for strong relationships with our partners and opportunities to reach others with the Gospel of Christ." Give thanks that Arthur and Eva are serving God's people in this part of the world.

Birthdays: Arthur, Oct. 22; Eva, Dec. 10;
Bethany, Aug. 24; Zoe, July 10; Noah, Apr. 9;
Nathaniel, July 4; Mary Anna, Feb. 5;
Adelheid, Nov. 2; Hannah, Nov. 2

Anniversary: June 5

PLEASE NOTE!

Any letters or birthday/anniversary wishes should be sent ONLY via email to the following address(s):

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