



On February 3, our church will lift up Global Mission Sunday – a time to celebrate the life-giving partnerships that connect us across borders.

As we pray together, we remember the incredible ministry of our partners:

*God of the whole world, gather us into one as your people. We lift up our partner churches - the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land, the United Evangelical Lutheran Church, and the Lutheran Church – Peru. We pray for their ministry and the people they serve. Strengthen them and us in faith, hope and love and help us to live that love out in our daily lives. Amen.*

At the heart of Global Mission is relationship – walking alongside our partners in solidarity, listening deeply, sharing in their joys and sorrows, and supporting them in their mission, just as they support us in ours. These relationships span decades, and together we are transforming lives.

The following is a brief update from our Global Mission partners. If you'd like further information on a specific area of focus, you are invited to [get in touch with us!](#) We'd love to share more about our Global Mission partners' ministry in these areas.

### **Argentina: Expanding Education in José C. Paz**

The Iglesia Evangelica Luterana Unida (IELU) has long prioritized education as a means of hope. With your support, Instituto Evangelico Americano - in José C. Paz, part of greater Buenos Aires, expanded to accommodate more children from underserved communities. Despite pandemic-related delays and economic challenges, three new classrooms were completed last spring – offering life-changing opportunities for students and their families.

### **Peru: Nurturing Children Through Faith and Service**

In Iquitos, Pastor Yoli and the Iglesia Luterana del Perú are offering a safe and welcoming space for children. Every Friday, Saturday and Sunday, kids come for meals, tutoring and spiritual support. Though the congregation itself faces financial hardships – unable to repair essential fans (necessary with temperatures

sometimes surpass 40C) – their mission thrives.

### **Jordan and the Holy Land: Standing in Solidarity Amid Crisis**

The Israel-Hamas war has left deep scars, and our partners at the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land are doing all they can with the resources they have to offer aid and comfort. Through the ELCJHL Scholarship Appeal – which surpassed \$263,000 in donations from ELCIC members like you – we are walking in solidarity and accompaniment with our partners.

Your prayers, financial support and service help make all this and more possible.

All three of our Global Mission partners are navigating challenges – yet they remain beacons of faith, resilience and service. As they continue their vital work, your prayers and financial gifts are making a real difference.

[You are invited to consider making a special gift for Global Mission Sunday.](#) Your generosity will help ensure these ministries can continue to serve their communities.

Relationships and accompaniment are at that heart of Global Mission. We are so thankful for our partnership with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land and the Lutheran Churches in Argentina and Peru, and for your support of Global Mission in the ELCIC.

Thank you for being a part of this journey.

**DONATE NOW!**

*PS - Would you like to become a monthly donor? When you [donate online](#) indicate your wish to support monthly in the personal message field and we will follow-up with you directly.*





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