

How you can participate...

The people and churches of our synod are experiencing a renewed spirit of engagement in God's work through our synod and the whole ELCA. Folks want to be a part of a church that gives itself away for the sake of making Christ known —serving God's people in this time and place.

Move Forward Together

with us:

- Pray for the appeal's success.
- Tell others about **Forward Together**.
- Make a generous gift to the appeal.

Making Your Gift

There are two ways to share your gift:

Send a check to the NW MN Synod by January 31, 2016, with "Forward Together" on memo line;

-OR-

Visit the website **GiveMN.org** on November 12 and give to the Northwestern Minnesota Synod for Give to the Max Day.

Find details at nwmnsynod.org.

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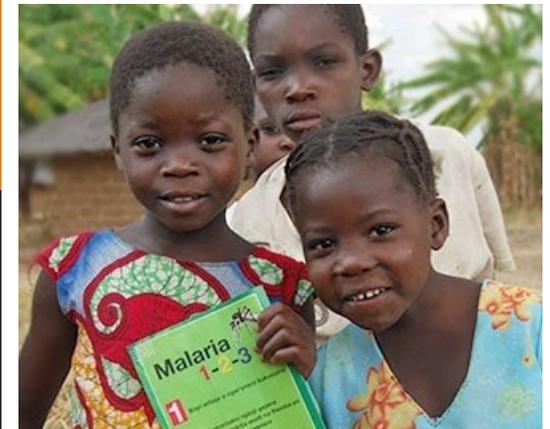
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Forward Together

2015

Northwestern Minnesota Synod
Annual Appeal



Inviting YOU
to invest
in God's
Mission

Tending God's Mission in NW Minnesota

Our synod serves God's mission of blessing and redeeming the world through Jesus Christ by:

- **Helping** congregations grow and serve
- **Supporting** hundreds of congregational leaders, pastors and rostered lay leaders
- **Nurturing** life-giving relationships among parishes and partner ministries
- **Developing** new ministries and renewing established congregations.

Forward Together

*Mission Support giving from congregations fuels ongoing ministries like global mission, seminaries and starting new ministries in the U.S.A. Because these are **shared** ministries, mission support dollars are **shared** between the synod and the ELCA Churchwide Organization.*



Youth from Messiah and Moe, Roseau, serve at the ELCA Youth Gathering in Detroit, July 2015.

Pr. Chris Leach is one of our synod's new pastors, serving at Our Savior's, Barnesville.



First Mile Giving
Mission Support giving from **congregations** is "first mile" giving. When congregations remit mission support dollars to the synod this year, 48% is passed on to ELCA Churchwide ministries. The remaining 52% is invested in ministries of the NW MN Synod.

Second Mile Giving
Forward Together invites **individuals** to make "second mile" gifts directly to our synod so that we achieve the goals of our 2015 synod mission plan.