

Resolution Regarding Ethiopia Funds

WHEREAS the Central Synod of the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus (EECMY) has chosen to discontinue its companion synod relationship with the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America), thereby severing companion relationships with synods of the ELCA, and

WHEREAS we do not know when or if these relationship will be resumed, and

WHEREAS it is not good stewardship of money to hold it unused in a bank account, and

WHEREAS the La Crosse Area Synod is holding money designated to support medical clinics in EECMY, and

WHEREAS the La Crosse Area Synod is holding money designated to provide scholarships and books for students in the EECMY, and

WHEREAS Elise Hynek (Our Savior's, La Crosse) and Jenna Putz (Christ Lutheran, Arcadia) have been selected to serve as Young Adults in Global Mission beginning in August in the United Kingdom and Argentina-Uruguay respectively, therefore be it

RESOLVED that money given to our synod designated for clinics in Ethiopia be instead dedicated to the Malaria Campaign, and be it further

RESOLVED that money given to our synod designated for EECMY scholarships instead be designated to the ELCA initiatives to provide scholarships and educational opportunities for women leaders from our global companion churches, and be it further

RESOLVED that money given to our synod designated for books instead be designated to support this year's Young Adults in Global Mission from the La Crosse Area Synod, Elise Hynek and Jenna Putz.

Submitted by the Global Mission Committee of the La Crosse Area Synod

Supplemental Information:

As of May 22, 2014, the account balances were:

- Medical Clinics = \$470.42
- Scholarships = \$1445.62
- Books = \$3115.75