



THE KURT MARQUART FUND FOR THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION IN HAITI

QUICK FACTS

Purpose

To facilitate theological education of confessional Lutheran pastors in Haiti (ELCH).

- † Purchase theological books in French and Creole (native) languages
- † Provide travel expenses for seminary professors to teach courses in Haiti
- † Underwrite in-country regional educational seminars
- † Support establishing a permanent seminary in Haiti

Need

The need is significant:

- † Just seven seminary graduates serve more than 100 congregations and 20,000 souls.
- † The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Haiti is one of the fastest-growing Lutheran church bodies in the Western world.
- † Haiti is the poorest nation in the Western hemisphere, beset by near-anarchy and profound poverty.
- † Yet even in this unlikely context, a church has been raised up that is committed to the Gospel of Jesus Christ as expressed in the Holy Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions.
- † These brave Lutherans need our help to train faithful shepherds, for their great need far outstrips their resources.

Goal

The Concordia Theological Seminary Class of 2007 has a specific goal in mind:

- † Raise an initial \$100,000 in 2007 to form a perpetual fund.
- † Disburse the fund income each year to help train pastors.

You.

We need your help, now and in the future.

- † Please consider how you or your congregation can help with a financial gift in 2007, either from discretionary funds or by special fundraiser(s).
- † Please consider adding the Kurt Marquart Fund to your congregation's mission budget for 2008. This will be a perpetual fund.
- † We entreat your prayers on behalf of our brothers and sisters in Christ of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Haiti.

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But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed?
And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard?
And how are they to hear without someone preaching?
And how are they to preach unless they are sent?
As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!"
(Romans 10:13-15)*