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# SENDING SEVEN

"It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty." Acts 6:2b-3



Project 24 Processes, Analysis, and Improvements

#### **Growing in Christ**

In Kenya, the school year for primary & secondary school ends in December, but colleges and universities begin in July and September. High school graduates who are part of Project 24 have a chance to attend a Pre-college Lutheran Academy program started by the ELCK to give youth a chance to learn about and practice service within their church during this gap-period.

BOTTOM: John visits with students at Matongo Lutheran Seminary attending the Pre-collage Lutheran Academy supported through Project 24 and Christ's Care for Children.



# **Connected by Christ**

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose (Romans 8:28)

"You look lost, may I help you?" I had been wandering the halls of the university for a bit and a kind lady noticed and offered to help, asking, "What brings you to Concordia St Paul?" It was the end of July 2019 and I was searching for a CSP magnet for our fridge. As she showed me the way to the campus bookstore, I explained that I was a LCMS

missionary serving in Africa and had just finished a meeting with the acting Provost and Dean of the Business department. Earlier I had met the acting provost through a colleague and shared with him about Project 24 and Christ's Care for Children-Kenya, the combined effort of the LCMS and Evangelical Lutheran Church of Kenya (ELCK) to help orphaned and vulnerable children grow up in a Christcentered environment.

The CSP business department often uses actual mission organizations as case studies for student learning, and my visit followed the provost's invitation to share with the department leadership about areas we could use assistance. The visit had gone well, but I was advised to reach out to the head of undergraduate studies, who was missing from our meeting.

As we discussed this, I discovered my guide that morning was the very person I needed to speak with. She asked me to share more about the Project 24, and explained to me how students review efforts like these, understand the business case and operations, then at the end of the term provide a presentation of recommendations to the stakeholders.

Fast forward to December 2019 when, by videoconferencing, those involved in Project 24 from various parts of Kenya, North Dakota, and St Louis/Missouri watched students at Concordia St Paul present their final capstone presentation. The opportunity to have a group like this take interest in helping children and provide valuable feedback was a blessing. They provided many good recommendations, but also for themselves, learned ways to become involved and help tell others about Christ. In Christ, the Wolf Family

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What is that? Large swarms of locusts recently migrated from India/ Pakistan over to eastern Africa.

## **Prayers and Praise**

- God's mercy and provision during what could be a difficult time for farmers with locust swarms
- For God's healing hand toward statebound family members of missionaries
- Thanks for US based advocates who help share what the Lord does in Africa

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## **Project Highlight:**

**Matongo Support-** This overdue electrical upgrade will provide a safe and comfortable stay for visiting professors who teach pastoral & deaconess students at Matongo seminary. Learn more at <u>international.lcms.org/africa</u>.



## - Wolf Cubs -

Ian and Sean review their route with other scouts and leaders before embarking on a hike in a Kenyan national park and cooking on the trail



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