



Mission Investment Fund
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
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Report to the Indiana/Kentucky Synod Assembly from the Mission Investment Fund of the ELCA

The Mission Investment Fund of the ELCA continues to serve this synod by providing vital loans for capital projects to new mission congregations, established congregations, and ELCA-related ministries. MIF is able to fund these loans through the sale of investments to ministries and congregation members.

More than **800 MIF loans** totaling nearly **\$500 million** are at work today in ELCA ministries throughout the United States, the Virgin Islands and the Caribbean.

In the Indiana/Kentucky Synod, nineteen congregations and ministries currently have Mission Investment Fund loans totaling \$10,405,637 while many individuals, ministries and the synod have investments in the fund totaling \$9,988,837.*

MIF serves ELCA ministries. In addition to the ministry loans and investments that it offers, the fund provides consulting services to ELCA congregations through its church building consultants and staff architects. The consultants review plans for building projects and assist with church construction financing. Staff architects provide initial schematic design proposals that congregations can take to local architects. The consultants and architects' services are provided **at no charge**. MIF's area representatives are available to meet with congregations and ELCA-related ministries related regarding the loan and investment opportunities offered by the fund.

Has your congregation invested? Have members of your congregation invested? Join the thousands of *individuals*, ELCA congregations, ELCA-related ministries, and synods – including the Indiana/Kentucky Synod– that are earning interest on their investments as they help to build the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Your participation enables the fund to continue this vital ministry. A variety of fixed- and adjustable-rate investment opportunities are available and may be opened with initial investments of as low as \$5. Information on investments and ministry loans is available at www.elca.org/mif and through the fund's representatives listed below who serve this synod.

Thank you for your support of and participation in the Mission Investment Fund. It is a joy to work in partnership with you for the advancement of God's kingdom.

Sincerely,

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