

etwork, Building Capacity 2025



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Praise the Lord for His endless love and guidance as we work towards building capacity of Christ centered educational institutions in Ethiopia!

Greetings in the Name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!



As we look forward to celebrating the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ, I would like to share a few celebratory outcomes in our ministry. Reflecting on these experiences, I am reminded that the true spirit of Christmas shines brightest when we embody love, unity, and generosity, allowing the message of Christ's birth to inspire both gratitude and compassionate action in our daily lives.

One-year Intensive English program (IEP) — the IEP cohort that began during the fall 2024 has successful completed the program and moved forward to pursuing their theological education at MYS's College of Theological Studies beginning fall 2025! To encourage and honor the achievements of these 38 students, the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) of Grace Lutheran Church in Banning sent handwritten

messages of congratulations on cards



handmade by our church member!

Community Day Celebration at Mekane Yesus Seminary (MYS) ... took place on October 27, 2025. Scheduled between academic quarters, the event aimed to provide the MYS community with an



opportunity for fellowship relationship-building outside the classroom setting. **Attendees** included invited guests, students, faculty, staff, and administrators from all programs. The morning program comprised prayer, worship, teaching, and outdoor activities



followed by lunch provided by MYS. During the afternoon, participants

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attended student-led drama, interactive games involving faculty and administration, and a praise and worship session conducted by students in 18 languages representing various regions of Ethiopia! I was blessed to participate in this amazing day with close to 800 brothers and sisters in Christ, reflecting unity in diversity within the MYS community.

As we transition into the next season, let us carry forward the lessons of compassion and unity, ensuring that the spirit of Christmas continues to illuminate our actions and relationships throughout the year. Thank you very much for your prayers and support in 2025!

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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