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To: LWF Member Churches

Geneva, September 4, 2024

Re: Call for Proposals for Member Church Long-term Projects 2026 - 2028

Dear respected Church Leaders, dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Greetings from the LWF.

In Matthew 13, we read the parable of the mustard seed, which illustrates how tiny seeds and small acts of faith can yield significant impact. Over the years, many of our member churches have undertaken 'mustard seed' projects, analyzing and identifying needs within their contexts, setting realistic goals and objectives, and implementing activities that have made a difference in the lives of those we serve.

Inspired by this parable and the witness of member churches, I am delighted to announce this year's call for applications for long-term projects:

- We are calling for **new** member church projects starting in 2026, running for a maximum of three years.
- Please be aware that ongoing projects will not be automatically renewed for a second phase. Thus, member churches looking to continue their projects concluding in 2025 should apply for a second phase, which may last until 2028 at the latest.

Deadline for applications: Wednesday, 08 January 2025

All submissions for long-term projects will undergo review in January and February 2025. Shortlisted projects will be requested to provide additional details to support their application. The Committee for Member Church Projects will meet for final approval in May 2025.

For further information on application procedures, please consult the attached eligibility criteria. I would like to draw your attention particularly to the project design workshops scheduled for late October to support you in project design and writing.

The LWF looks forward to accompanying member churches in sharing hope through these concrete projects, expressing faith active in love. We trust that God will bless and multiple all the good work and faithful service of God's people.

May God continue to bless you in your ministry.

Yours in Christ,

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