



The Lower Susquehanna Synod

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA



*Making Christ Known
in central Pennsylvania and throughout the world*

Proclamation

Adapted from Western Iowa Synod Resolution

WHEREAS the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America has partnered with the ONE Campaign, and has initiated the *ONE Lutheran* Campaign for the purpose of encouraging advocacy for, and promoting the achievement of, the Millennium Development Goals (eight interrelated goals targeting elimination of extreme poverty world-wide by 2015 and endorsed by every U.N. member nation, the U.S.A. included); and

WHEREAS *ONE Lutheran* seeks to both rally ELCA members ONE by ONE to be advocates for the cause of ending poverty in our world, and challenges congregations to become ONE Lutheran Congregations; and

WHEREAS *ONE Lutheran* seeks through advocacy to urge our elected leaders to support the Millennium Development Goals; and

WHEREAS the Lower Susquehanna Synod intends to provide leadership support to congregations and individual members eager to work for social justice through *ONE Lutheran*;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Lower Susquehanna Synod Council encourages this synod's congregations to become *ONE Lutheran* Congregations, thereby bringing the *ONE Lutheran* Campaign to the attention of individual members; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lower Susquehanna Synod Council encourages individual members to become ONE Lutherans by signing the *ONE Lutheran Declaration*,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, the Reverend B. Penrose Hoover, as Bishop of the Lower Susquehanna Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, in partnership with this synod's council, do hereby proclaim the Lower Susquehanna Synod to be a Synod of ONE, and encourage everyone to both recognize the devastating impact extreme poverty and global AIDS have around the world, and take action to bring about change.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Penrose Hoover". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Bishop B. Penrose Hoover