Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will. Romans 12:2

Merry Christmas!

Dear CNH members and friends,

Celebrate Emmanuel, God with us, remembering and thanking God for how the Lord has been active this year, even through us. Our work together in God’s Mission in the CNH continues where God has placed you. Through His Holy Spirit, we see those around us who are presently outside of the Kingdom of God. We trust God’s promise that he is at work through the Gospel and through us to bring the gift of life in Jesus to those who are yet far off.

Anticipate our 7th annual Missions Conference, “Good News People” on March 21st at Our Savior in Livermore, California. Justin Hanneman from GracePoint in Omaha, Nebraska is one of our keynote speakers and break-out leaders. He will urge us towards foundations of healthy personal and congregational lives from which we function as Good News People.

Celebrate the mission ministries in the pictures below which give a glimpse of God working through you, his people in the CNH District. In Christ, we are better together, his Good News People!
St. Matthew, Kauai (left): continues to grow.

St. John, Napa (right) reaches a variety of people in their area through a Mission Farm, their pre-k - 8 school, Aaron the Comfort Dog, and to the Spanish speaking community through Mision de Jesus.

Music is important to the replant process at Good Shepherd, Hayward.

Tou Pau Lee serves as a licenced lay deacon. As a life-long member of the Hmong community in Merced, he is able to reach out to the Hmong who do not yet know Christ.
Uchel Naito is a licenced lay deacon who works with a group of Palauan Lutherans on Oahu and across the ocean on the island of Palau.

Sara Weishaar serves as the DCE at Faith Yerington, Nevada.

San Juan Valle de Fe in Arvin, California serves a community that is over 90% Hispanic.

This November, Temesgen Dabsu was ordained. He serves at Grace Lutheran Church in El Cerrito.
The Hmong Language School teaches God’s Word while teaching the Hmong Language to a new generation.

Messiah, Ewa Beach, Hawaii is undergoing a revitalization. Outreach to the preschool that rents their building has grown their Sunday School to over thirty kids in just four years.

**Save the Date!**

CNH District’s Mission Conference
Saturday, March 21 at Our Savior Lutheran Ministries in Livermore

**Prayer Requests**

1. For all of our ministries, that this Christmas season would provide them with the opportunity to share God’s life-changing love in their communities and beyond.

2. For Vicar William Pierce, who is readying himself for ordination, and for his family, as he continues to lead and to complete his SMP studies by extension at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis.

3. For the leadership at San Juan Valle de Fe, as they consider what comes next in leadership and ministry in Arvin, and for the committed lay leadership that continues the work.

4. That the Lord would provide eyes to see the opportunities He is creating around us