# Steeles in Mission: Rev. Dr. Walter & Robyn Steele

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### **Newest News**

As you read this, we will be on on way to the USA for meetings and debriefings as we prepare for the next chapter in our lives as missionaries

Please pray for us as we travel, that all will go uneventfully.

The Lutheran Church in the Philippines and the seminary in Baguio is getting ready for our arrival.

Pray that our work permits are issued without delay.

Remember our new, updated web site: SteelesInMission.com.



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## **Deaconess Resources**



Robyn teaching how to use "Visitation" Book.

Last month, Walter provided the pastoral students with a resource for them as they provide care for their members and communities. This month I was able to bring a wonderful resource to the deaconess students—a book called "Visitation." Deaconesses bring the mercy of Christ to people in both word and active service. Mercy flows into and out from faithful planting of Lutheran Churches. Many of these ladies will be serving "the least, the last, and the lost"— people whom society does not hold in high esteem. My work helps them to be equipped to bring the comfort of the Gospel to those they serve.

We began with the devotion, "Nothing to Fear," which addresses the helplessness many people experience and how trust in the Lord removes this fear. I led the ladies through the book, showing them how they can use "Visitation" to address various issues that might arise in their work. This book is invaluable! It was a joy to bring this to them., If you would like to help me provide "Visitation" for other deaconesses, please email me and we can discuss how you can.

In Christ's care,

Robyn

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Journal of Lutheran Mission (JLM) is back!

Missionary work extends beyond the field in which you work. Walter has been privileged to be an editor for the resurrected Journal of Lutheran Mission.

LCMS President Matthew Harrison has written: "The LCMS Office of International Mission has a number of academic faculty members who serve our partner churches' seminars around the globe. In addition to their regular duties, these theological educators will be editing JLM so... theological and practical mission.. might be made available."

It is a joy and honor to be part of this important work for the sake of our Lord's mission to the world.

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## **Discussing God's Mercy**



As our session together was drawing to a close, the heavens opened and the rain fell! This time of year in Kenya is the Long-Rains Season. So, as we waited for the rain to slow down, we had a wonderful conversation about various issues and concerns the students have faced.

These conversations are so good because they also open my eyes to the uniqueness of their cultural setting. One of these is the problems faced by widows. This is no abstract problem. Many of our deaconess students are widows. They face the same challenges as the women they will serve. Being among them, hearing about their trials, and showing them Christ's mercy is what being a deaconess is all about, as I bring God's word of Christ Jesus to them in concrete ways.

In Christ's care,

Robyn

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