

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

## Theological Educator & Nutrition Educator

### *Serving the Lord in Mission to the World*



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#### Latest News

We have a new, updated web site:

[SteelesInMission.com](http://SteelesInMission.com).

We invite you to visit it.  
We keep our newsletter there, and also give other updates as things develop.

The work to which we have been called keeps changing, as the needs of the mission field change.

Next month we will be sharing more about what the Lord has in store for us as a new chapter opens in our overseas work.

We appreciate your prayers as these things comes to pass.



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## Symposium Presentation



Walter delivering a paper to fellow pastors

Missionaries bring a different perspective to theology which can help the Church in the USA better understand her mission to spread the Gospel and to plant Lutheran churches.

During the Symposium on Exegetical Theology, 21–24 January 2025, I was selected to present a paper, which explained the importance of Genesis Chapter 2 for missions. The paper was titled: The Mount of Testimony: The Significance of the Topography of Eden for Worship and Witness. While the topic might sound strange, what is important for people to realize is that the mission is our Lord's mission and it has been ever since man fell into sin.

The goal of spreading the Gospel is to bring people to faith in Christ and for them to be gathered into the Church. The mission of the Church is then to read the Gospel of Christ. Our worship—our time on Sunday—equips all Christians for God's Mission.

For more on my paper, check out my blog on our new website

In Christ,

*Walter*

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## Preparing for a Life as a Deaconess



Robyn and other deaconess students meet with CTSFW President Bruss

The full cohort of ladies at Fort Wayne with Robyn met with the seminary president. We are all so grateful for our professors' support and understanding of the work of deaconesses in the Church.

I have known most of these ladies only via Zoom and text messages. It is so encouraging to be together for these weeks together, sharing our lives and learning more about each other.

While we all miss our homes and places of service, such time together helps to build the sisterhood of deaconesses in the LCMS.



*As part of preparing for life as a deaconess on the mission field, I am at Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana for three in-person classes. I will be here until the end of February and then return to Kenya in March.*

*The lectures are intense and the homework is rigorous, but the goal of better serving God's people is well-worth the investment. From the study of the Gospel according to St. Matthew, to one on the Means of Grace—how Christ's work becomes ours, to Ministry to the Sick and Dying, I am learning so much about Christ and how to bring his work of mercy and love to our broken world.*

*I appreciate your prayers during my time at the seminary, especially to have the ability to learn this well for the sake of those I serve.*

*In Christ's care,*

*Robyn*

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