

**PRAY FOR** Rev. Vance and Linda Becker  
Theological Educator  
*Serving the Lord in Kenya*



The Rev. Vance and Linda Becker serve the Lord as missionaries through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) in Kenya. Vance teaches at Matongo Lutheran Theological College in western Kenya, where pastors, evangelists and teachers are trained for service in 11 countries in East Africa. At the school, Linda works with music and deaconess students.

Vance graduated from St. John's Junior College, Winfield, Kan.; Concordia Senior College, Fort Wayne, Ind.; and Concordia

Seminary, St. Louis (1982). Before becoming a missionary, Vance was a pastor at three LCMS parishes in South Dakota and Minnesota. Vance's other interests include building design and hymn writing. His current duties, in addition to teaching various classes, include serving as chair of the Department of Practical Theology and as Dean of Chapel.

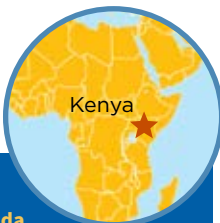
Linda graduated from Bethany Lutheran College in Mankato, Minn., and the University of Iowa in Iowa City, Iowa. She was later colloquized into the LCMS at Concordia University, St. Paul, St. Paul, Minn. Linda taught first through seventh grades in Lutheran and public schools in Virginia, South Dakota and Minnesota before serving in Kenya. Her hobbies include reading, playing piano and organ, and quilting. The Beckers both enjoy camping, hiking and bicycling.

Pray for Vance and Linda as they serve in Kenya, and ask God to help them fit in well in the culture of this rural area. Pray for Vance, that he would be effective in his role as a college teacher. Ask God to make Linda's music and mentorship work a blessing to all the students. Pray also for the students they teach, that they would grow in faith, wisdom and abilities that will enable them to serve the growing church in eastern Africa. Pray for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kenya and Matongo's students, that they would have the resources necessary to allow dedicated Christians to be trained for church work. Let us give thanks to God that the Beckers are serving His people in this part of the world.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Vance – Sept. 20, Linda – Dec. 9

**ANNIVERSARY:** July 10

**HOME DISTRICT:** Minnesota South



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