Deaconess Danelle Putnam serves the Lord as a missionary through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) in the Dominican Republic. In this role, Danelle reaches out to people with developmental disabilities and their families who care for them. One way the local church is reaching out is through Good Shepherd Lutheran Homes (Hogares Luteranos el Buen Pastor), a home for orphaned youth with developmental disabilities.

Danelle also helps train women in the Dominican Republic and in the Latin America and Caribbean region to be deaconesses. She also is involved with planting churches in the Dominican Republic.

Danelle was born in Oregon and raised in Montana. She graduated from Linfield College in Oregon with a bachelor’s degree in Spanish and a minor in Latin American studies. She received her deaconess certificate from Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Ind., in 2014. Prior to her work in the Dominican Republic, Danelle spent six years serving with the LCMS in Panama.

Danelle asks, “Pray for me and the people of the Dominican Republic. Ask God to provide me with many opportunities to proclaim His almighty love and saving grace. Also pray that the people of the Dominican Republic will truly come to know and believe in our Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ.” Let us give thanks to God that Danelle is serving His children in this part of the world.

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