

“Give Us Today Our Daily Bread”

Video reflection on the theme of the LWF Eleventh Assembly

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Hello, my name is Peter Stoll.

I'm the honorary treasurer of the Lutheran World Federation.

A few weeks ago I was visiting a diaconal institution in Bavaria. At the entrance, there was a plaque, and on it was the following inscription:

*The Insula Home for the Elderly was founded by the International Refugee Organization, a specialized agency of the United Nations, in collaboration with the Lutheran World Federation, the Lutheran Inland Mission for Bavaria and the US High Commissioner for Germany.
MCML (1950)*

After the Second World War, many people in Europe were in great need.

The Lutheran World Federation helped – with food, shelter and care.

Since that time, the Lutheran World Federation has grown into a strong communion of churches.

Together we face the challenges of this globalized world.

Together we preach God's word – and we do it in both word and deed.

Last year I was in Africa, in northern Kenya.

I saw the help that the Lutheran World Federation is giving to refugees there.

That, for me, is one answer to the petition from the Lord's Prayer, “Give us today our daily bread.”

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is also the scripture text for next year's Lutheran World Federation Assembly.

I look forward to seeing you here in Stuttgart then.

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