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What We Accomplish Together in Mission

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- Approximately **204 congregations** under development
- **49 new starts** under way in 2008, including **33 new congregations** under development
- **159 existing congregations** intentionally focused on renewal
- **260 missionaries** in 50 countries
- Support of ministry and projects in **over 90 countries**
- **8 seminaries**
- **28 colleges and universities**
- **187 campus ministries**
- **1,530 Lutheran early childhood education centers**, includes birth to age five
- **267 Lutheran elementary schools, K-8**
- **147 outdoor ministries**
- **Health and pension benefits** for retired clergy, missionaries and lay church workers
- **Long-term community development**
- **Advocacy** with the United Nations, federal and state governments and corporate development
- **Partnerships** with The Lutheran World Federation, World Council of Churches and National Council of Churches in Christ

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