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KELC Missionaries in Global Partnership

Global mission and partnership have been important ministries of KELC throughout the history of the church. Many international exchanges have helped to enrich both KELC and our international partners. Currently, two KELC missionaries, Rev. Dr. Margaret Obaga and Dr. William Obaga, are serving in Germany with KELC's partners in Bavaria, Mission EineWelt.

Rev. Dr. Margaret Obaga is serving as an Ecumenical Staff member in the Department of Intercultural Theology with Mission EineWelt. In this role, Rev. Margaret has been teaching in church-affiliated colleges and seminaries, as well as teaching in kindergartens and confirmation classes in various congregations. especially with KELC's direct partner in the Deanery of Wessertrudingen. Rev. Margaret is also preaching during worship services and presenting information about Kenya at various seminars and events. Dr. William keeps busy with his work of teaching Church History and Mission, as well as teaching African music, including African drumming.

The Obagas have been serving in Germany for 3 years, arriving in January of 2015. Remembering their arrival, Margaret said, "It was mid-winter but we were warmly welcomed by colleagues and the leadership of MEW and assisted to settle down in our new culture." Learning the language has been challenging, but also rewarding. "Learning the German language and using it has helped me to understand a bit of intercultural exchanges and communication. The German Sprache has certainly helped us to carry out our missionary work, to interact and move freely in this great country of Germany!"

Keeping partnership at the forefront of her work, Rev. Margaret said, "Most certainly, partnership is a two-way road. It is a dialogue in which both parties participate in with respect and responsibility. In our church partnership, may we journey, walk, and learn together, with God's help." We thank God for all of KELC's partnerships, and we ask for God's guidance as we continue to journey together.



Dr. William Obaga and Rev. Dr. Margaret Obaga, KELC missionaries serving in Germany.



Rev. Margaret presenting information about Kenya to a congregation in Germany.



Dr. William teaching African drumming.

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