

Updates on the CELC-Africa Region

The WELS-Multi Language Publications has prepared a Translation Workshop which was held July 17-27, 2018 at Lusaka Lutheran Seminary in Zambia.

Representatives from CELC member churches in Africa (Zambia, Malawi, Nigeria, Cameroon, and Ethiopia) and from the Lutheran Congregations for Missions in Kenya (which is in the process of joining CELC), and from the CELC member churches in Asia (Nepal and India) gathered to attend this Workshop.

This gathering has given opportunities for the representatives from CELC member churches in Africa to discuss twice the reorganization of CELC-Africa Committee and on the how, when, and where the next CELC-Africa Region meeting will be held. The summary of the outcome of the discussions is as follows:

1. Until the next CELC-Africa Region meeting, in order to better reorganize the CELC-Africa Committee which missed a committee member, Rev. Dr. Kebede Getachew Yigezu from the Lutheran Church of Ethiopia (LCE) is given assignment to work as Interim Secretary with the Chairman (Rev. Davison Mutentatmi), with the Vice Chairman (Rev. Abumbi Mathias) and with the Advisor (Missionary Mark Panning).
2. Based on the availability of fund (so far OAT suggested for a total of 17 attendants), the next CELC-Africa Region meeting will be held in between September 2018 and December 2018. This time frame gives member churches more time (i.e., the whole 2019 and until the meeting date in 2020) to discuss and prepare themselves for the next CELC-International meeting in Seoul-Korea. The exact dates for CELC-Africa Region meeting will be communicated by the committee as soon as possible.
3. The Lutheran Church of Ethiopia (LCE) will host this next CELC-Africa Region meeting. Easy flight connections to Bole in Ethiopia and the location of the LCE in Bishoftu-Ethiopia are among two real opportunities that cuts the expenses.
4. Some more technical matters related to the next CELC-Africa and CELC-International meetings will be communicated to the member churches by the CELC-Africa Region committee.

We keep you informing the progress.

God bless you!!!

CELC-Africa Region Committee

