

Dr. Martin and Marie Dicke

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Serving the Lord in Papua New Guinea

Bio

Dr. Martin and Marie Dicke serve the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) as missionaries in Papua New Guinea (PNG). Martin is following in the footsteps of his parents who served there for 20 years. He teaches music at Timothy Lutheran Seminary in Birip, develops worship resources for the Gutnius (Good News) Lutheran Church, leads workshops on worship and music and helps develop religious literature for the church. In addition, he facilitates the distribution of religious books to Lutheran schools in the Enga Province and serves as the PNG team manager.

Martin earned a bachelor's degree in music from Concordia University, St. Paul (Minn.), a master's degree in choral conducting from the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, and a Doctor of Musical Arts degree in choral conducting from the University of Iowa, Iowa City. For 15 years, he taught at Concordia Academy, St. Paul, Minn., and served as a church musician in Minnesota and Iowa. From 2002-2016, Martin was the Cantor (Director of Music) at Trinity Lutheran Church in Peoria, Ill., where he helped start the Peoria Bach Festival. He enjoys composing, blogging about music (www.JubalsLyre.com) and collecting stamps from Papua New Guinea with his brother Mark.

Marie is from Bertha, Minn. She received a bachelor's degree in vocal music from Bemidji State University, Bemidji, Minn. Besides raising her children, Marie has worked as a choir director, a preschool director and a music teacher specializing in early childhood music. She

enjoys cooking, gardening, the LWML, quilting for Lutheran World Relief and spending time with her grandchildren whenever she can.

Prayers

Pray for Martin and Marie as they serve in Papua New Guinea. Pray that God grant them wisdom in their service and strengthen and convert many to faith in Jesus Christ through their work. Pray for boldness in their proclamation of this faith and protection from those who would hinder it. Pray that the scourge of sorcery accusation-related violence may cease. Pray for the leaders, pastors and members of the Gutnius Lutheran Church that they hear and understand the true Gospel message and proclaim it without fear. Pray for more missionaries in Papua New Guinea and adequate funding and housing for them. Let us give thanks that Martin and Marie serve God's children in this part of the world.

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Additional Information

- Birthdays:
 - Martin - Jan. 13
 - Marie - Feb. 6
- Wedding Anniversary: Dec. 16
- Home District: Central Illinois

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