

**Please briefly answer these questions on a separate sheet of paper.
Include your answers along with your application.**

1. Why are you interested in this trip? What do you hope to learn?
2. Describe your understanding of Lutheran World Relief's work.
3. What is your level of knowledge regarding relief and development work?
4. LWR is a pan-Lutheran organization and LWR Study Tours draw people from various groups throughout the US. Please tell us about your experiences with diversity and what strategies you used to ensure inclusiveness and respect.
5. LWR Study Tours take you to the heart of the work we do overseas. This means you will be exposed to poverty, people with poor health conditions, and standards of living which may not be familiar to you. How do you think seeing such conditions will affect you? How do you anticipate you will cope with this during and after your trip?
6. Describe how physically and mentally prepared you are for these challenges. Describe the way you adjust to intense group experiences with very little personal space and time.
7. In what ways will you bring this experience to your local churches, campuses, and communities?
8. Are you familiar with the mission of Women of the ELCA? If so, explain your level of knowledge.
9. Write a short profile about yourself.
10. Additional Comments?

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

Please include a \$400 deposit with this application – make checks payable to Lutheran World Relief. The application deadline is January 15, 2009. We are seeking to build a delegation of 15 women who are committed to the mission of LWR. If your application is confirmed, the \$400 is not refundable. If your application is not confirmed, your \$400 deposit will be fully refunded.

Applicant needs to be a woman affiliated with the ELCA.

Please mail this application form to:

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Signature

Date

By attending a Lutheran World Relief (LWR) Study Tour, I give LWR the right to use my image in photo or video and my comments for publicity purposes related directly to the mission of LWR. I understand that I will not be given any creative control over the finished use of the images. I understand that I will not be compensated should the images or comments be used.

WHO IS LWR? Lutheran World Relief, an international nonprofit organization, works to end poverty and injustice by empowering some of the world's most impoverished communities to help themselves. With partners in 35 countries, LWR seeks to promote sustainable development with justice and dignity by helping communities bring about change for healthy, safe and secure lives; engage in Fair Trade; promote peace and reconciliation; and respond to emergencies. LWR is headquartered in Baltimore, Md. and has worked in international development and relief since 1945.