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Dear Partners in Christ,

Greetings to you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

The Evangelical Lutheran Education Association of the ELCA would like to take this opportunity during Lutheran Schools Week to give thanks for your work and service in the church. You are among the Lutheran school teachers and staff persons serving infants through high school students who are exemplary in your professional expertise as well as Christian love and nurture.

Jesus has a special concern for children. He encouraged the persons bringing the children to him with the words, "It is to such as these that the Kingdom of God belongs" (Mark 10:14). The children gifted with faith become examples to us all.

You are gifts from God. Your school provides a welcoming gate through which persons may choose to enter the church. The Holy Spirit works through you in reaching out with the Gospel to the hearts and souls of the youngsters placed in your care as well as their families. You bring hope and meaning to families who find themselves in a world which is often self serving. You are a beacon to those who seek meaning and focus in their lives.

During this Lutheran Schools Week, we will particularly be remembering you and the work of our Lutheran schools in prayer. May you be blessed in your teaching ministry among the children of God.

Sincerely, in Christ,



Gayle M. Denny  
Executive Director



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**Working Together for God's Children**

