



This Wednesday, May 10, marked the beginning of the Twelfth Assembly of the LWF in Windhoek, Namibia. Roughly 800 participants including Bishop Larry Kochendorfer and National Bishop Susan Johnson are currently in attendance, along with delegates from the 145 LWF member churches from around the world. The assembly is held every seven years and is the highest governing authority for the LWF.

The Twelfth Assembly falls just a mere five months in advance of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. Along with lifting up the themes of 'Liberated by God's Grace' and 'Creation – Not for Sale, Human Beings – Not for Sale, and Salvation – Not for Sale', the 500th anniversary of the Reformation will be commemorated today at a public event expected to draw 10,000 attendees.

For an inside look at the daily schedule at Assembly, visit this link: <https://www.lwfassembly.org/en>

One of the four areas to the ELCIC's Reformation Challenge is to support the LWF Endowment Fund. When you help support the LWF Endowment Fund, you help support:

- Advocacy for peace with justice
- Community development
- Ecumenical and interfaith relations
- Holistic mission
- Human rights
- Humanitarian assistance
- Theology

If you would like to support the fund please designate a donation through the offering plate marked "Reformation Challenge—LWF Endowment Fund.



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