

## Direct Support of Missionary family REV. EDDIE MEKASHA AND FAMILY, OUR MISSIONARIES TO IMMIGRANTS IN OMAHA



Project #18-402

Rev. Eddie Mekasha was born August 1959 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, and baptized as a child in the Ethiopian Orthodox/Eastern Church. During high school, there was a civil war and he was jailed by Marxist regime and was at a concentration camp and prison for 3 years. Pastor Eddie completed high school at prison. He was confirmed at Evangelical Lutheran Church in 1984, and attended Sunday School by listening to the Radio Voice of Gospel. After working in various government and business jobs, in 1991 Pastor Eddie began the First Christian Book Store by Mekane Yesus (Lutheran Church in Ethiopia) and went

to England and Finland for training. In 1999 he graduated from Mekane Yesus Seminary with a degree in theology; he also edited 5 books. In 2003, Pastor Eddie joined Concordia Seminary in St. Louis and was ordained in 2007 as a pastor in the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. He served as an Evangelist/Counselor/Pastor in St. Louis for 10 years, baptizing dozens and helping many hundreds of immigrants in life-transition under Christian Friends of New Americans (CFNA). Pastor Eddie also translated Luther's Small Catechism in Amharic and published community news for Ethiopians in the US in 2003.

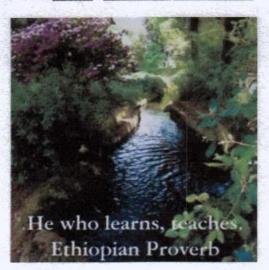
Pastor Eddie moved to Omaha in September, 2013, to be chaplain at Tyson Foods in Council Bluffs, IA. He is married to Fantaye and blessed with two girls—Kedamait and Semret. His family is a great asset to mission work.

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