

### PROMISES – Help Complete Home of Hope in Estonia

“This is how you will know that the living God is among you... As soon as the priests who carry the ark of the LORD... **set foot in the Jordan**, its waters flowing downstream will be cut off.”

Joshua 3:10,13

“Choose twelve men... and tell them to take up **twelve stones** from the middle of the Jordan... so that all the peoples of the earth might know that the hand of the LORD is powerful.”

Joshua 4:2–3,24

Inspired by Joshua 3 & 4, we have launched the final campaign to complete Home of Hope. After Israel crossed the Jordan, God told Joshua to set up twelve stones as a memorial, so that future generations would know that the hand of the Lord is powerful.

In the same spirit, we will set up a **memorial of twelve stones** at Home of Hope, bearing witness to God’s faithfulness and His promises.



We are joyful and grateful to share that the first two stones of the Promises campaign have now been almost reached. The first stone, **The Promise of Guidance**, reminds us that God often grants the next faithful step before showing the whole road ahead (Jos. 3:3). The second stone, **The Promise of Consecration**, reminds us that before God makes a way around us, He often prepares a way within us (Jos. 3:5). Each stone is both a milestone of support and a testimony to God’s work among us. **Thank you for your prayers, encouragement, and faithful giving as we move toward the third stone.**

**FOR EVERY \$30,000 PAID OFF – ONE STONE**

will be placed on the memorial – **until twelve stones stand.**

For every **gift of \$2,000 or more**, one of our volunteers will, in the donor’s name, place at the base of the memorial

**a commemorative stone** - symbolizing all who have walked this path with us.

Progress  
**88% Paid**

Remaining  
**\$301,388**

Mortgage Due  
**January 31, 2027**

Read the full story and give at [TATEST.ORG/PROMISES](https://TATEST.ORG/PROMISES)

### IMPORTANT UPDATE – New U.S. Giving Channel

Since Charity Lutheran Church in Bismarck is no longer able to continue serving as our U.S. giving channel—our strong partnership will, of course, continue—U.S. donations should now be sent through our new partner, **Faith Lutheran Church in Hutchinson, MN.**

**Faith Lutheran is a 501(c)(3) organization**, so gifts remain tax-deductible.

During the transition period, gifts sent through Charity will, of course, be forwarded to us, but we kindly ask donors to begin using Faith Lutheran going forward.

#### GIVING (tax deductible)

##### ONLINE

Go to the site or scan QR below: [faithlc.com/give-2/](https://faithlc.com/give-2/)

Please designate your gift for one of the following:

- TAT General – Annual Operating Exp.
- Home of Hope Mortgage



##### CHECKS

**Faith Lutheran Church**

335 Main St. S.

Hutchinson, MN 55350

MEMO line: “TAT” or “HOME OF HOPE”

#### HOME OF HOPE MORTGAGE PAYOFF

Total \$ 2,312,889

\$2,011,501 – RAISED

#### PROMISES

Total \$360,000

\$58,612  
RAISED  
06/04/2026

\$301,388  
TO GO  
01/31/2027

#### TAT ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET 2026

Budget Total \$455,470

\$160,292

\$295,178

RAISED  
YTD 06/04/2026

TO GO



The Juggler participants 2026

## YOUTH CONFERENCE – The Juggler 2026

On March 27–28, we held The Juggler, our fifth annual young adults conference, at Home of Hope. This year’s theme was **“Balanced Body, Mind, and Soul,”** and **more than 70 participants** joined us.

The conference offered biblical encouragement and practical guidance for young adults carrying heavy responsibilities, with sessions on body and soul, health, work and money, smart devices, mental health, rest, and making room for God.

The weekend also included seminars, discussions, prayer, fellowship, a silent disco, board games, and refreshments from a local church café team. We are thankful for the warm response and for your prayers and support, which help us continue this work among young adults in Estonia.

## FUNDRAISING GALA – Encouraging a Culture of Generosity in Estonia

On April 9, we held a full-house fundraising gala dinner at Home of Hope in Tartu, with 36 guests in attendance, raising support for our pastoral care ministry and the repayment of the Home of Hope mortgage.

Thanks to generous matching funds from supporters in the United States and Estonia – Legacy Fund of St. Timothy’s Lutheran Church in San Jose, Gen Olson and Tiina Kaia & Agu Ets – each gift had an even greater impact. During the gala, \$26,410 was donated, fully matching the \$11,700 matching fund and bringing **the evening’s total income to \$38,110**. Of this, **\$17,550 will support pastoral care ministry**, and **\$20,562 will go toward the mortgage loan**.

The evening also included an auction of donated artwork, and we are sincerely grateful to Mari and Uno Roosvalt, Elna Kaasik, and Pallas University of Applied Sciences for their generous contributions. We were encouraged by the warm response and Estonians’ growing willingness to support meaningful ministry, while remaining deeply grateful for the faithful friendship, prayers, and support we continue to receive from the United States. Together, this partnership helps make Gospel work in Estonia possible.



Musicians Jaak Tuksam & Ain Agan performing at the TAT gala banquet 2026



Intern Anneli from Norway

## INTERN UPDATE – Anneli’s Year of Service in Estonia

My year in Estonia is slowly coming to an end. I came here from **Norway through UCREW, a Christian exchange program of the Norwegian Mission Society**, to serve with the Tartu Academy of Theology and Home of Hope, grow in faith, and experience a new language, culture, and people.

During my time here, I’ve helped with many different tasks, including **live streaming, photography, event planning, and youth work**. Working at Home of Hope has been a wonderful learning experience – from adapting to a new culture, to developing my skills and growing in faith. The Home of Hope team has made daily life enjoyable, and I am very grateful for this exchange year.

## VIRTUAL OUTREACH – Cast the Net Initiative

Cast the Net began with a successful trial at the end of last year and has now launched as a one-year pilot project helping spiritually open people in Estonia connect with Christians and local church communities.

Through social media content and targeted advertising, we reach people asking questions about faith, meaning, hope, and God, and invite them into respectful personal conversations that can lead toward real Christian relationships.

**In the first three months of 2026, two campaigns** have already reached **approximately 40,000 people** and initiated **more than 60 one-on-one conversations**. These early results encourage us to keep developing this work with partner churches across Estonia.

Support for this project makes digital outreach, personal follow-up, team training, and church cooperation possible. Thank you for helping people discover Christian community and the hope of Christ.

## UNITED BY LANGUAGE – Estonian Language Café

This spring, we launched our first Estonian Language Café at Home of Hope.

We started this pilot project because many people living in Estonia – including Russian speakers, Ukrainians, and people from other countries – find it difficult to learn and practice Estonian. Without the language, it can be hard to integrate, build friendships, and feel at home.

Our Language Café offers a welcoming place to practice simple conversation with fluent Estonian-speaking volunteers. Each gathering has a topic to guide the discussion and help participants feel more confident. Because our volunteers are Christians, these meetings also create natural opportunities for friendship and conversations about faith, Christianity, and the hope we have in Jesus.

Please keep this new initiative in your prayers.



Language Café on May 5

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