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Maeson Lovie Named 2022 LEA Outstanding New Lutheran Elementary Teacher

Maeson Lovie was selected to receive Lutheran Education Association's 2022 Outstanding New Lutheran Elementary Teacher Award.

Maeson teaches at Christ Greenfield Lutheran School in Gilbert, Ariz. She earned a B.A. in liberal studies: elementary education from Concordia University Irvine and an M.A. in special education: autism spectrum disorders from Arizona State University. She was also awarded a Christ College Medallion.

In reflecting on her teaching, Maeson remarked, "My greatest joy working with students is watching them not only grow academically but spiritually as well. I love listening to my kids pray and seeing their trust in Jesus during hard circumstances, even when I as an adult struggle to share that trust."

Maeson's principal commented, "Maeson embraces her calling to school ministry and embodies the true spirit of the role. She instinctively knows how to relate to everyone as she radiates humility and focuses on listening to others and observing what they need. Her classroom environment is vibrant. Her natural joyful and peaceful presence sets the stage for a safe and caring learning environment where every student is loved and encouraged to embrace a growth mindset."

One parent said, "We love how she pours her heart into each child, building a relationship with each individual. Her teaching style is innovative and unique and makes lessons fun and interesting."

Ms. Lovie's pastor concurs with what others said. "Miss Lovie has offered her gifts to advance the kingdom of God in both our school and church. She has served as a high school small group leader. Her girls absolutely love her. She has served a colleague's special needs daughter. She displays a deep love for all of God's sweet children. She is a daily witness as the hands and feet of the risen Jesus."

Maeson's mission statement is "Accept, adapt, and advocate for all of Christ's children."

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