



## Possible uses of the Mission Prayer List In the local Congregation

*Ask the people in one or more of the following ministry areas to set time aside in their activities to pray using the Mission Prayer List as the prayer guide.*

- Small groups in the congregation
- Children and Adult Sunday School classes
- Week Day Adult Bible study groups
- A ministry and leadership team or church council *Begin the normal business meeting by praying through the Mission Prayer List*
- A choir or worship team
- Junior Confirmation Class
- Adult Confirmation Class
- Youth Group Activity
- Sunday Morning Prayer additions. *Divide the Mission Prayer List into smaller units to be included in regular Sunday Morning Prayers during worship*
- Prayer Vigil

*One of the above ministry groups might consider adopting three missionaries to support by prayer for a longer period of time (i.e., six months). Let each of them know that your team is praying for them to encourage them in their work. (For information in this regard, contact Rev. Steven Misch [smisch@txlcms.org](mailto:smisch@txlcms.org).)*

When you pray through the Mission Prayer List you pray for:

- Missionaries and their families
- New efforts by Congregations, Individuals, Church Plants and Church Planting Networks
- The church to step out in faith
- Sound stewardship development in members and congregations for the financial resourcing of the mission

The result of your prayer effort will include but not be limited to:

- Congregation members becoming increasingly aware of the missional partnership activity in the district
- Mission Prayer Partners praying for the local congregation's mission
- Mission Prayer Partners being strengthened in their discipleship
- The strengthening of the bond of faith in Christ with others around the district
- Mission, locally and regionally, having greater movement

When mission initiatives are raised in the congregation members and leaders will be more receptive to your ideas. They will know about the mission because they are praying for it and they will support the things being suggested. The question will more likely become, "How do we get the word out" rather than "We can't do that."