



*We pray for the Texas District to...  
STRENGTHEN CONGREGATIONS to reach the lost,  
disciple the saved,  
and care for people - locally and globally.*

## Texas District Mission Prayer Update

November 7, 2022

*Dear Texas Mission Prayer Partners,*

*This week we pray for these ministry leaders and schools' faculty and staff, and the people they serve, bringing the Gospel into their lives.*

*I give thanks to God for your faithfulness in prayer. May He pour out His Presence and fill your times of prayer and praise!*

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**Rev. Robert LeBlanc**  
*Jesus Lutheran Church of the Deaf, Austin*

"In their dual-congregational setting with St. Paul Lutheran Church, Jesus Lutheran Church for the Deaf (JDLC), both congregations in Austin, installed Rev. Robert LeBlanc on September 4, 2022, to be their pastor. He joins Rev. Bryan Wolfmueller in proclaiming God's Word to both the Deaf and the Hearing communities in the heart of Texas and beyond.

In such a short period of time, the Lord has opened many doors in this new chapter of JDLC. Pastor LeBlanc is joining the members of JDLC every Sunday afternoon to study God's Word (2:00pm) and to worship Him in the Divine Service (3:00pm) in both Sign and English. Members like Blake, in informal settings, are discussing theology, while they introduce Pastor LeBlanc to Sign and the Deaf culture and have him partake in the various foods that Austin has to offer like a Ukrainian supreme wrap and a chicken and mushroom crepe. He also joined Jennifer at JDLC's booth, one of fifty-eight, at Texas School for the Deaf's all-day festivities for the school's homecoming. On Reformation Sunday, members and guests, Deaf and Hearing, gathered to receive God's gifts (spiritual and temporal) in the Divine Service, in the dinner, and in the fellowship. There were thirty-six individuals gathered for this special day.

The members of JDLC, Pastor LeBlanc and Pastor Wolfmueller seek prayers for opportunities to hear (to see) God's Word and to be His instruments to tell (to sign) the Good News about Jesus' gifts into the Deaf community where only 2% to 5% of the people profess to be Christians.

God grant His wisdom, strength, and peace as He sends His servants into the harvest."

**Cathy Swanstrom**  
*Immanuel Early Childhood Education, Houston*

**Dale Wolfgram**  
*Immanuel Lutheran School, Giddings*

**Rev. Mark Brunette**

Joy Lutheran Church, Houston

**Toni Byrge**  
Kids of the Kingdom, Kingwood

**Anne Noonan**  
King of Kings Lutheran Preschool, Round Rock

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*You also must help us by prayer, so that many will give thanks on our behalf  
for the blessing granted us through the prayers of many.  
2 Cor. 1:11*

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