

MISSION PRAYER

July 15, 2024

Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving.
Colossians 4:2

Dear Texas Mission Partners,

Mission Prayer calls you to prayer. Jesus tells us to ask the Lord of the harvest to send workers into the harvest. In this, we see the heart of God, the mission of Jesus, and the initial action of disciples in the building of the Kingdom, namely prayer. This is counter to the cultural context that insists we take action and stop thinking. Will you assist in building the Kingdom? Sit down and make prayer for the mission a priority in your life of faith.

Mission Stories



Vocatio Tour

Concordia
Seminary
St. Louis, MO



Fostering Ministry Among Second-Generation Hispanics

Fostering ministry among second-generation Hispanics is essential due to their distinct differences from the first-generation in language, culture, and worldview. Unlike their parents, who predominantly speak Spanish, these younger generations are more

comfortable with English and are raised in a bilingual and bicultural environment. To prevent these individuals from feeling disconnected from the church, ministries must adapt by creating an inclusive environment that respects their bilingual identities.

Preparing pastors and church workers to effectively reach second-generation Hispanics is crucial. Training programs tailored to a bilingual and bicultural context are vital. Initiatives like the “Vocatio Tour” at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis engage second-generation youth, igniting a passion for ministry. Under the guidance of leaders like Rev. Rodrigo and Dayana Fernandez and with the support of parents and pastors, these efforts aim to inspire young Hispanics to consider a future in ministry, ensuring the church remains relevant and welcoming.

[Read Rev. Guerra's Full Story](#)

Mission Prayers

- Praise for the confirmations of 5 young people last month.
- Pray for the Brooks community as we continue to grow and expand, that we would be well-positioned to reach people with the Gospel.
- Pray for Christophe Rugazura-Rusare, from the Democratic People's Republic of Congo, who is being sent by LINC South Texas to begin EIIT classes in the fall--that our partnership and ability to support him continue.



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San Antonio
Rev. Phil Doublestein

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Marta Santos*

*Faith Lutheran Preschool, Stephenville
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*Mark Thomas
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*Karla Valverde
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