



# MINISTER to MINISTER

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## PRESIDENT'S PAUSE // BE ENCOURAGED

**Leadership Article // The Mess Is Worth the Risk:** “The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us...” (John 1:14). Jesus prayed, “As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world” (John 17:18). Why? Why did Jesus make His dwelling among us IN this broken world? Why did He send His disciples into the world just as God the Father sent Him into the world? [Read more](#)

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## WORKER UPDATES // BE IN PRAYER

*Pray for those in need of guidance, affirmation, healing, relief, and assurance.*

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### Prayer Requests

- Rev. Aaron Kalbas (St. John, Hamilton) - mother, Judy Kalbas, joined Jesus' side
- Rev. James Kretzmann (Em., Cedar Park) - moved to hospice
- Susannah Stroud, 2-year old granddaughter of Rev. Lynn Stroud (Em., Bryan) - recovery after appendectomy

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### New Calls

#### Ordained

##### Declined

Rev. Matthew Gulseth, Sole, Concordia, Pullman, WA to Assoc., Trinity-Klein, Spring

##### Undecided

Rev. Dale Bohm, Sole, St. John, Giddings to Sole, Resurrection, Fredericksburg

Rev. Thomas Chandler, Sole, Trinity, Albany to Sole, Hope, Winnie

Rev. Eloy González, Em., Mission to Sole (ITP), St. Paul/St. Paul, Bishop/Kingsville

Rev. Eloy González, Em., Mission to Sole (ITP), Trinity, San José, CA

Rev. Timmothy Heath Jr., Sole, Zion, Owego, NY to Assoc., Faith, Plano

Rev. Loucan Saling, Sole, Faith/St. Paul, Woodville/Jasper to Sole, Our Redeemer,

## Installations

Jae Park // Ordination & Installation: January 12, 3:00 p.m. // Assoc., Lamb of God, Flower Mound  
Rev. Josh LeBorious // January 12, 3:00 p.m. // Sr., Hope, Friendswood

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## Ordination Anniversaries // December

### 45 years

Rev. David Bergman (12/9) - *Em., Hewitt*

### 20 years

Rev. Brent McGuire (12/5) - *Our Redeemer, Dallas*

### 10 years

Rev. Brad Jurischk (12/6) - *St. Timothy, Houston*

Rev. Michael Cody (12/7) - *Good Shepherd, Iowa Park*

### 5 years

Rev. Steve Headley (12/15) - *Good Shepherd, Cedar Park*

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## DISTRICT NEWS // BE INFORMED

**Evangelist Training Series:** Embark with us on a mission that goes beyond the church doors—become an everyday missionary with the Texas District Evangelist training! Ever wished your friends, family, and coworkers could experience the love of Jesus but felt uncertain about making that connection? You're not alone. [Learn more](#)

**2025 Missional Youth Retreat:** The 2025 Missional Youth Retreat (MYR) will be held this summer, June 1-5! At MYR, students can experience, pursue, and thrive in their life passions through worship, small group time, and service projects. This experience is perfect for young people with demonstrated leadership potential who have a calling for ministry and are passionate about sharing the Gospel in their daily work and vocation. Registration is now open! [Learn more & register](#)

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## 2025 Convention Info Center

**Call for Nominations:** Nomination forms for District President and Area Vice Presidents, as well as descriptions of these positions are available for download now. **Nominations for these positions will close February 4, 2025.** [Learn More](#)

**2025 Texas District Convention Registration:** Register NOW for the 2025 Texas District Convention. [Learn more](#)

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## RESOURCE TOOLBOX // BE EQUIPPED

**Mission Insight // A Faithful Step into New Territory:** I was excited and a little nervous to teach a group of adults. I spent a lot of time poring over the teacher edition of our curriculum before that first meeting. I'd never taught a whole group of adults English before. Would this really work? How could I share the love of Jesus in this context? [Read more](#)

## EVENTS & LINKS // BE CONNECTED

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JANUARY 15, 2025 (start date) // 8-week Evangelist Training Cohort // [Learn More](#)

FEBRUARY 3-5, 2025 // Texas District Spiritual Renewal Retreat // [Learn More](#)

FEBRUARY 4, 2025 // DP and Area VP Nominations Deadline // [Learn More](#)

JUNE 5-7, 2025 // Texas District Convention // [Learn more](#)

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