

MISSION PRAYER

December 30, 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



Church
Planting

Texas District
DFW Area



DFW's First Chartered Hispanic Lutheran Church

DATA USA states Hispanics comprise 42.4% of the Dallas population. As of 2022, approximately 35.2% of Fort Worth's population is Hispanic. Also, according to the data, the Hispanic population in DFW is expected to grow faster than the overall population. Hispanics are projected to become the largest ethnic group in the DFW area. The next is that by 2050, the Hispanic population in Texas is expected to be more than

double its size. There is a significant opportunity to make a difference and share the love and grace of Jesus.

While much work is to be done, it has been an exciting time in Area B of the Texas District, where we just recently celebrated the chartering of the first Hispanic Church in the Dallas-Fort Worth region. On August 11th, 2024, Comunidad Cristiana Expansión Rockwall was officially chartered as a Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod (LCMS) congregation, making it the first Hispanic mission to be chartered under the Expansión Mission Network. This is a significant achievement for our network community. This criticalness is the covenant and relationship with the LCMS and our esteemed Texas District. Additionally, it paves the way for more missions to follow in their footsteps. Expansión Mission Network believes that more missions will charter in the coming years...

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Mission Prayers

- Pray for the salvation of the lost sheep of Israel here and especially in Israel as the war against Hamas rages
- Pray for Rev. Randy Duncan, who will be taking over this year as the new CEO of Apple of His Eye, and a smooth transition
- Pray for the mission support of Apple of His Eye, as we rely on the sacrificial mission gifts of caring Christians



Apple of His Eye

Georgetown
Steve Cohen

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Spring

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Lesley Turner
Messiah, Boerne

Elizabeth Gonzalez De Castro
Expansion, Dallas

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