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A common community



Rev. Dr. Jon Braunersreuther
District President

Is it better to work together or to work separately? Instinctively we know that the right answer — particularly when the task is large and/or complex — is to work together. “Many hands make light work,” we like to say. “The

wisdom of all of us is superior to the wisdom of one of us.” The aphorisms abound.

It is certainly true with respect to the common convictions and the common cause that we have as a part of the Texas District. In my last two articles, I made the point that we are blessed in the Texas District with common convictions about what God’s Word says — convictions that must and should be maintained. Those firm convictions can’t help but lead us to our common cause — reaching those who are far from God with the precious Gospel. “Keep a close watch on yourself and on the teaching,” St. Paul writes to Timothy. “Persist in this, for by so doing you will save both yourself and your hearers” (1 Tim. 4:16). Indeed “Christ’s love compels us” (2 Cor. 5:14) to the ministry of reconciling people to God.

These convictions are best maintained — and the cause is best achieved — when we work together as Christ’s people as a common community.

Acts 15:1-31 is listed as one of the “Reasons for the Formation of a Synodical Union” in the preamble to the constitution of our church body, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Our ecclesiastical forefathers had the same instincts as we do about the need to work together in the church and they pointed to this passage — which we might call the first “church convention” — as proof.

The early church in Acts 15 had a problem — a mission problem, as it turns out. What were they going to do about all the Gentiles who were becoming followers of Jesus? Were they required to follow all the Jewish laws and customs or not? Scripture reports that there was “much discussion” among the people. Wouldn’t you have loved to have been a fly on the wall for that? Circumcision, for instance, was kind of a big deal, after all!

And then God produced consensus among the group. After respectful debate (we might presume, as Scripture does not report otherwise) and a full airing of opinions, the group came together. Don’t make it too difficult for the Gentiles who are coming to follow Jesus. Here are the laws they must follow. Let’s welcome them in!

It is still true today. We are better when we work on challenges together — and when we challenge one another — for the sake of our common convictions **and** our common cause. We are better together than we would be separately.

But that’s not the only reason why our common community is so important. It’s also important because each of us bring different gifts to be stewarded for the sake of our common convictions and common cause. More on that next time...



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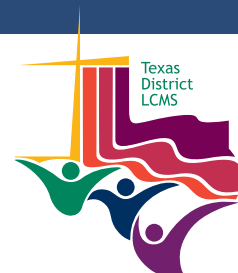


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“Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation.” ~ Mark 16:15



God at work in the harvest



Rev. Lincon Guerra

Area A Mission and Ministry
Facilitator

“Look at the nations and watch—and be utterly amazed. For I am going to do something in your days that you would not believe, even if you were told.”

Habakkuk 1:5

In August, the Texas District Board of Mission Administration (BMA) conducted its annual field visits, focusing on Area B. These visits allow us to witness firsthand how the Lord is working through congregations, church planters, missionaries and evangelists, bringing the Gospel of Jesus Christ to people from all nations.

The following account was written by BMA member Don Treude, and it captures the movement of God's mission in this part of Texas:

A Glimpse into God's Mission in Area B

Serving on the BMA, we are welcomed into a behind-the-scenes tour of the ministries that the Texas District helps support through generous donations from individuals and congregations throughout Texas. On our visit to the DFW area, church planters, missionaries and evangelists gave us a small glimpse of the incredible and exciting work happening in their communities and how the Gospel of Jesus Christ is being proclaimed to people from all nations.

Our first stop was at Reclaimed Church, Justin, a

church plant that began in January 2024 in a living room, and has now moved into a new facility filled with people hungry for the Word of God. Rev. Travis Hartjen shared how Groundbreakers to Harvesters is helping churches build partnerships in the DFW area, bringing together groundbreaking families to establish community, and then training and equipping the families to connect with their neighbors and launch Word and Sacrament ministry in their communities.

That same spirit of innovation was evident at St. Peter, Roanoke, where co-vocational staffing has opened new opportunities for mission. From church planting to their plans for a Christian elementary school, St. Peter demonstrates how fresh strategies can fuel bold steps of faith.

We also witnessed how a 60-year-old church is renewing its call to the Great Commission. Holy Cross, northwest Dallas, has embraced its changing neighborhood by welcoming multiple ethnic groups into worship, offering services in English, Arabic, Spanish, Eritrean and Swahili. Their ministries include everything from ESL classes and sports outreach to discipleship training, all aimed at breaking down barriers so that first-generation immigrants and their families can hear the Gospel in their own language.

The same multi-ethnic vision inspired us at Concordia, Bedford, where we learned about the Mosaic Mission Network, founded by John Vawar. Mosaic is driving church planting and leadership development with the goals to raise new — and

realign existing — multi-ethnic congregations, and help the Texas District raise 500 new servant-leaders and 500 Gospel communities by 2031. Through their efforts, communities are being engaged, equipped and connected to Word and Sacrament ministry.

On the second day, we saw how congregations like Grace, Arlington, are reaching a rapidly growing Latino population through ESL, youth leadership and soccer. By creating spaces where bi-cultural identity is celebrated, they



Members of the Texas District Board of Mission Administration are pictured during their visits to ministries in Area B.

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Many ways to give



Brian Hamilton

Chief Financial Officer

Now is the time to give securities to charity

The end of the calendar year — and the tax year — is upon us. Many are probably thinking about when and how to make their year-end gifts to charity.

Giving by check or credit card is certainly convenient and is the option of choice for most people. But are you aware there are other ways to give? Many charitably minded donors could benefit from giving investment securities, especially since the stock market has reached record valuation levels this year. Let's listen in as two friends, Buzz and Woody, talk about this topic following their weekly pickleball match:

Buzz: Hey, Woody, great game today. You really put me to shame on the court. Guess I'm a little tired from all my recent travels. Tell me, how are you doing?

Woody: Things are going well. You should see my desk at home! Bo and I are planning our year-end gifts to charity. It's always such a process — who to give to, how much to give. You know, all the decisions. This year it's going to be challenging since our cost of living has gone up. We don't like the thought of short-changing our charities, though. They need the money, too.

Buzz: What did you and Bo decide to do with that Infinity & Beyond, Inc. stock you bought when the company first went public?

Woody: We thought it might be a nice way to provide some supplemental cash for our retirement. When Bo explored it with our broker, she discovered that we would have to pay a hefty amount of capital gains tax whenever we sold the shares. They've meteorically risen in value since we purchased them. Our tax bill is high enough, so we decided to hold on to the shares for now.

Buzz: Have you considered using

your appreciated stock to fund your charitable gifts? You'll get to fully bless those charities and avoid paying capital gains tax in the process.

Woody: I didn't know that was possible. Tell me how.

Buzz: I did that with Legacy Deo, a charitable foundation. I had my broker transfer stock to their brokerage account as a charitable gift. Because I gifted the stock and didn't sell it myself, I bypassed the capital gain and the resulting tax. Legacy Deo liquidated the shares and sent the proceeds to charity on my behalf. Because I was able to itemize at the time, I qualified for a charitable deduction equal to the appreciated value of the stock I gifted.

Woody: Sounds great! Was it a difficult process?

Buzz: Not at all! I filled out two simple forms and let Legacy Deo know the names of my three charities. They handled the rest.

Every year, we help many families fulfill their charitable intentions with appreciated investment securities. It is a great way to immediately bless your favorite charity or charities. It's also perfect for funding a donor-advised giving account that can bless a variety of charities on your timetable. If donating appreciated securities could benefit your situation, give us a call. We're happy to walk you through the process and provide the necessary forms.

NOTE: If you plan to give appreciated investments, we must receive your securities by Dec. 31 for the gift to count toward the 2025 tax year. We encourage you to contact your broker now and arrange for us to receive your gift no later than Dec. 5 to allow time for processing and distribution to your charity or charities.



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HAPPENINGS

ALAMO



Rev. Carlos Sandoval was ordained and installed as pastor of Zion on Sept. 7. Pictured behind Pastor Sandoval are, from left, Revs. Chad Bresson (The Table, San Benito), Mauricio Franco (St. Paul, Harlingen), Nathan Wendorf (St. Paul, Harlingen), E.B. Holschuh (Epiphany, Bastrop), Greg Lorenz (St. Paul, McAllen), Ed Weber (Immanuel, Mercedes), Chris Richardson (emeritus) and Steve Morfitt (Trinity, Brownsville).

BASTROP



Edward J. "E.J." Clontz-Kuntze (holding frame) was confirmed at Epiphany on Sept. 14. Pictured with E.J. are his mom, Lisa; brother, Ethan; and Rev. E.B. Holschuh.

HILLSBORO



On Aug. 24 at Christ Lutheran Church, John Wesley Schmedthorst and his son, Ellis Grayson, were baptized. Thanks and praise to God that He graciously preserves and has enlarged His family. Pictured are, from left, John (holding J.W.) and Kaitlin (holding Ellis) Schmedthorst, and Rev. Michael Nemec.

PLANO



On Sept. 21, 33 souls were welcomed to the Messiah congregation. Some of the new members pictured are, from left (front row) Bill and Pauline Schuster; Sandy and Dan Franklin; Linda Demuth; Julie Landers; Elizabeth Stevens; (middle row) Kyle and Erin Hejl and children Aubrey, Cooper and Nolan; Megan Billiot; and Mike Landers. Pictured in back is Rev. Dr. Victor Kollmann.

CONROE

On Sept. 10, the Prime Timers of St. Mark toured the facilities of Boys and Girls Country in Hockley, a Christian home for children from homes in crisis. Here children are given the opportunity to thrive spiritually, educationally and socially; and they always have a place to call home, even as they transition into the college and career programs. The Prime Timers, on "Wednesday Pantry Day" helped to fill the pantries of the cottages.



PLANO



Rev. Brandon Koble was installed as headmaster of Faith Lutheran School on Aug. 10. He and his family moved from the Milwaukee area, where he served as pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church and Oklahoma Avenue Lutheran Church, and was founder and headmaster of Trinity Lutheran Classical High School. From left, Revs. Larry Krueger (Texas District second vice-president), Mark Taylor (Faith senior pastor), Brandon Koble and Timothy Heath (Faith associate pastor). At right, Pastor Koble is pictured with his family.

COPPERAS COVE

Immanuel Lutheran Church held its annual Ice Cream Social on Aug. 24. Everyone enjoyed socializing and tasting several varieties of homemade ice cream — and good old Blue Bell.



The congregations of Trinity and Immanuel celebrated Rev. Bill Sager's 40th ordination anniversary. Pastor Sager, emeritus, is pictured with his wife, Sandy. He is also a retired U.S. Army chaplain and has been providing pastoral support at Trinity. Pastor Sager and Sandy are, and have been, a wonderful blessing to many!

DALLAS



Zion Lutheran Church recently celebrated the 60th ordination anniversary of Rev. Mel Symmank (emeritus). Also, Pastor Symmank and his wife, Barbara, attended the ordination and installation of their son, Rev. Joel Symmank, as Specific Ministry Pastor of Woodbury Lutheran Church, Woodbury, Minn. (he will serve as pastor of the Wakota Ridge campus). Also present was Luke Symmank (Joel's son), who is a Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, student serving as vicar at Bethlehem, St. Louis. From left, Luke, Joel and Mel.

THE GROVE



Sept. 14 was another glorious day in the life of the family of faith at St. Paul Lutheran Church as Charlotte Rae Callaway was welcomed into the church universal and church family of St. Paul through Baptism. Pictured are, from left (front) parents Ashley and Dillon Callaway, sponsors McKenzie Clifton, Brady and Tara Tullos; (back) sponsors Holly Sohns, and Ryan and Brianna Sohns.



Grandparents Day, Sept. 7, was the setting for the Baptism of Amelio Cortez Espino. It was a joyous day as Amelio, who entered this old world very prematurely, was blessed with the new birth of water and the Spirit through Holy Baptism. From left, sponsors Kelli Alsup, and Kevin and Melissa Houchin; parents Noel Espino (holding Amelio) and Clarise Mendez; and sponsor Karmela Mendez. In back is Rev. John Heckmann. Not pictured are sponsors Bob and Paula Bangsund.

PLANTING

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are reaching both first-generation immigrants and younger generations who live fully in American culture while still cherishing their roots. This same vision is shaping the T2C2 Mission Network, led by Rev. Juan Zamora, which is launching new faith communities across the metroplex. We saw its fruit at St. John, Mansfield, where simple beginnings with ESL and soccer camps have grown into vibrant Bible studies and worship services.

Our journey concluded in Midlothian, where Midway Church, a St. John plant, launched earlier this year. With a dedicated team of families and the leadership of Rev. Tim Perkins, the congregation quickly outgrew its initial space, adding a second service within a month. It was a reminder that God continues to multiply His church when His people step forward in faith.

Across every visit, the stories differed but the heart remained the same: congregations and networks, large and small, are boldly stepping into the mission field, meeting people where they are, and lifting high the name of Jesus. And again and again, we heard one request above all others, that more prayer warriors would join in interceding for leaders, families and new opportunities, and that God would raise up even more workers for the harvest.

The Mission Movement in Area B is a testimony to the Spirit's work through God's people. From new church plants to multi-ethnic networks, from ESL classes to soccer fields, the Gospel is being proclaimed in Word and deed. These ministries remind us that the harvest is ready, and God is raising up workers in Texas to reach the nations living among us. May we continue to support them with our prayers, gifts and encouragement, trusting that the Lord will accomplish far more than we could ask or imagine.

DALLAS

At Bethel Lutheran Church, 23 Kinyarwanda-speaking families (87 members) were accepted into the congregation. The joyous occasion was celebrated on June 8, Pentecost Sunday, with a potluck lunch. Kinyarwanda is spoken by about 18 million in Central and Eastern Africa and is the official language of Rwanda and Burundi. Pictured are some of the new members with their new family.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Congratulations to the following couples, who are celebrating marriages of 50 years or more:

Christ, Lincoln

Leonard and Bernice Reuther
72 years, Nov. 8

Gethsemane, Houston

James and Darlene Ellison
59 years, Nov. 25

Our Savior, Abilene

Walter and Pat Kionka
59 years, Sept. 24

Redeemer, Nacogdoches

Steve and Carla Mezines
57 years, Aug. 3

Rev. Don and Arlene
Loeschen

50 years, Aug. 16



Jim and Marilyn Cain
69 years, Aug. 18

**Mount Calvary,
San Antonio**

Jim and Bonnie
Koenig
60 years, Oct. 9

St. Paul, Vernon

Butch and Judy Nash
50 years, Nov. 1

Grace, Dalhart

Mike and Shirley
Newman
50 years, Sept. 13

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Jim Brookins (left) a member of St. Peter, Gun Barrel City, celebrated his 90th birthday on Sept. 7. He is pictured with Diane, his wife of 60 years, and Rev. D R Nelson.



Bethel, Dallas, celebrated Dolores Hutchins' 100th birthday with a reception.

A heart for service



Dr. Bill Hinz

Director, School Ministry

Lutheran schools here in Texas and across the country are recognized by a commitment to academic excellence and a deep commitment to community service. Rooted in Christian values of love, compassion and neighborly care, our schools integrate service into their curriculum and culture.

This focus isn't just about serving; it's about forming students who are actively engaged and responsible citizens, motivated by Christ's love and ready to make a positive impact on the world wherever God places them.

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. **EPHESIANS 2:8-10**

By participating in community service projects, students learn about social issues, develop empathy and understand their role in addressing community needs. This can start with simple acts like a canned food drive or a school-supply drive for a small school and grow into more complex initiatives, such as volunteering at a senior care facility.

One such school with a heart for service is Dallas

Lutheran School (DLS). The middle school students are putting their faith into action by serving Christ every month at Presbyterian Village North (PVN), a faith-based retirement community that offers all levels of care, from independent living to skilled nursing and rehabilitation. DLS has a special relationship with PVN because they are less than a mile apart, and both will soon celebrate 50 years! It's a joy to see them laugh, learn and serve alongside the residents of PVS, including some of their very own grandparents!

The impact of community service in our Lutheran schools extends far beyond the immediate benefit to the recipients. It shapes the character of the students themselves. They learn that they are part of something larger than themselves, and that their actions, no matter how small, can make a difference. This instills a sense of purpose and a lifelong commitment to service.

In an increasingly complex world, Lutheran schools are preparing the next generation of leaders not just with knowledge, but with a servant's heart. By our actions toward one another we can reflect His love that is so freely given.

But the spiritual nature produces love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness. **GALATIANS 5:22**

Soli Deo gloria — to God be the glory!



Dallas Lutheran School students visit residents at Presbyterian Village North, including Dr. Jerry Brunworth, who served as Dallas Lutheran head of school.

He is trustworthy!



By Pat Fick
CAN-DO Director

It was a hot, sunny Saturday and I felt the urge to do outdoorsy things, so I set up my tent in the backyard. It did not look like rain, so I decided to just use the mesh screen and not add the fly. I thought to myself, "It will be cooler to camp without the fly on, since the breeze can freely flow through the mesh!"

Then I jumped on my bike and went for a ride. A few miles down the road, a refreshing sprinkle of rain landed on me. It was not enough to deter me from my exercise goal, and by the time I returned home 70 minutes later, the rain had subsided.

That evening, when I returned to my backyard to put my sleeping gear in the tent, I found that water can also freely flow through a mesh tent. It had rained quite a bit at my house while I was biking, and the tent floor was flooded! I dumped the water out and decided not to camp that evening, as waterbeds are not in vogue for tents. Haha! If I had only put the fly on, the water would not have invaded my tent.

Life is like my outdoor adventure. It does not always turn out the way we would like. God's Word encourages us to trust God's plan and not our own.

Trust in the LORD with all your heart,
and do not lean on your own understanding.
In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will make straight your paths.

PROVERBS 3:5-6

For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD.

For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

ISAIAH 55:8-9

Many are the plans in the mind of a man,
but it is the purpose of the LORD that will stand.

PROVERBS 19:21

The heart of man plans his way,
but the LORD establishes his steps. **PROVERBS 16:9**

God is continually teaching us to hold our plans loosely so that He can give us His "master plan." He is trustworthy! He proved that on the cross when He sacrificed His life to secure our future! In the waters of Baptism, He washes away our sin and makes us His beloved sons and daughters. And one day we will "fly away" to be with Him in our permanent place of rest! What an adventure that will be!



Board member channels resilience into giving back



Scot is pictured with his wife, Barbara, and their six children, who inspire his commitment to giving back.

When Scot Thomas reflects on his childhood, the words that come to mind are instability and survival. By age 16, he had lived in more than a dozen homes, struggled with undiagnosed learning differences and carried the weight of neglect and abuse. School offered little relief. “I didn’t learn the same way as others, so I felt misunderstood,” Scot recalls. “I became the class clown just to feel seen.”

At 16, Scot was on his own. Leaving school to support himself was a difficult but necessary choice. Later, he returned to complete his education, determined to build a different kind of future. “I knew I had to figure life out for myself,” he said. “That became my fuel to break the cycle of abuse in my family.”

That drive eventually led Scot to entrepreneurship. Today, he is founder and CEO of STC Safety & Risk Management, a company dedicated to protecting lives. “Going from an unruly, confused kid to someone who now leads a company focused on safety — it’s not a coincidence,” he said. “It’s my calling. I want to provide what I didn’t have and turn my experiences into something positive.”

Scot’s sense of purpose deepened when he learned about Upbring’s BeREAL program, which helps young adults transition from foster care to independence. “I immediately thought of the mentors and community members who stepped in for me when I needed guidance,” he said. “When I heard what BeREAL was doing, I saw myself in those young people.”

Without waiting for an invitation, Scot reached out to Upbring leadership and began fundraising within his community. His relationship with the nonprofit grew from there, and today he serves on Upbring’s Board of Directors. “My role isn’t just a title,” he said. “It’s personal. Having lived through this, I want to make sure our decisions reflect what these young people truly need — not just to survive, but to thrive.”

His wife, Barbara, has witnessed the transformation. “Watching Scot turn something so painful into something powerful fills me with pride,” she said. “When the opportunity to join the board came up, he didn’t hesitate. He said yes immediately, and it’s been amazing to see him pour his heart into this work.”

Now raising six children in a blended family, Scot says his story has come full circle. “Personally, it’s about becoming the person I once needed,” he said. “Professionally, it’s helped me lead with a bigger-picture mindset, focusing on impact instead of activity.”

For Scot, advocacy isn’t an obligation — it’s a calling. “Upbring isn’t just an organization,” he said. “It’s a mission. We’re here for these children and young adults, for their futures.”

Scot and Barbara’s favorite family quote is from Mother Teresa: “If you want to change the world, go home and love your family.” They live it daily — proof that resilience, compassion and love can change lives.

Upbring’s BeREAL program helps young adults aging out of foster care build independence, stability and hope for the future.



To learn more, visit
Upbring.org/BeREAL

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(\$149,236 still needed)

Mission Grants paid through Aug. 30: \$191,064

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Let It Shine nurtures the hearts and minds of young children through a play-based, developmentally appropriate curriculum rooted in the love of Jesus. Families that received scholarship support were given more than just tuition assistance. They received peace of mind knowing their children had the opportunity for a high-quality early education and to hear the Gospel.

Children learn, sing and grow in a warm environment where each child is seen as a unique child of God. From joyful chapel times and Bible stories, to imaginative play and social-emotional learning, the school's mission is clear: to share the love of Christ and love all children as Jesus loves us.

This mission is made possible by the faithful and prayerful generosity of groups like the LWML, which sees early childhood ministry as fertile ground for raising the next generation of believers. The impact of their support extends far beyond the classroom. It touches homes, families and the Kingdom of God.

Thank you, LWML, for helping Let It Shine Enrichment Academy say “yes” to families in need and for shining the light of Christ through your giving.



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