

# MISSION PRAYER

August 10, 2026

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

*Dear Texas Mission Partners,*

*The greatest missional contribution you can make is to pray. Jesus tells us to ask the Lord of the harvest to send workers into the field. In this, we see the heart of God, the mission of Jesus, and the initial action of disciples in building the Kingdom: prayer. In a culture that insists we constantly keep moving and doing, it is all the more important to be still and ask God to take action. Will you answer His invitation to meet with you? Join us and prioritize prayer for the Kingdom.*

## Mission Stories



English as  
Second  
Language  
(ESL)

West Texas  
(Area A), Texas  
District



### Building Bridges Through Language and the Gospel

For churches across West Texas, English as a Second Language (ESL) ministries are becoming a meaningful way to build bridges into their communities. At St. Paul Lutheran Church in Wichita Falls and Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hereford, English classes are about more than learning a new language; they are creating opportunities for people to connect, form friendships, and experience the love of Christ.

As participants gather to practice English, conversations naturally grow beyond vocabulary. Relationships develop, practical needs are discovered, and doors open for churches to share the hope found in Jesus. Through these simple acts of welcome and service, congregations are connecting with people from diverse backgrounds and creating opportunities for ongoing spiritual conversations.

The outreach is continuing to grow. This fall, St. Paul Lutheran Church in Vernon is preparing to launch its own ESL ministry, providing another opportunity for a West Texas congregation to welcome its neighbors, build relationships, and share the Gospel.

What begins with learning a language is becoming something much greater. It becomes a bridge that connects people to a church community and, ultimately, to the love of Jesus Christ.

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## August Mission Prayer Requests

Pray with us for the Texas District's mission efforts, congregations, new church starts, ministry pioneers, evangelists, local Gospel outposts, and more. Click below for daily prayer requests throughout this month. Bookmark the page for future quick access.

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