



MINISTER *to* MINISTER

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DISTRICT NEWS // BE INFORMED

NOW HIRING: Texas CEF is now hiring an Accounting Administrative Assistant. This position is important to the work we do and provides an opportunity for someone with strong financial skills, attention to detail, organization, and a heart for ministry to serve alongside these amazing teams. Please share this position with the members of your congregation. [Learn more](#)

Catalyst Innovation Lab 2027: Do you have an innovative mission idea? Apply now to present your idea at the Catalyst Innovation Lab, where you will receive feedback from experienced ministry leaders and have the opportunity to be awarded up to \$50,000 in grant funding to help bring your vision to life. [Learn more](#)

The Next Season of School Ministry in Texas: We are excited to announce that Corey Moss has accepted the call as Director of School Ministry at the Texas District. We thank God for the amazing work of Dr. Hinz and look forward to Corey joining the district team. You can read the formal announcement on the Texas District website: [Learn more](#)

WORKER UPDATES // BE IN PRAYER

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

Prayer Requests

- **Mrs. Claudia Adamson, widow of Rev. Terry Adamson (St. Mark, Lake Jackson) //** passing of husband, Terry
- **Mrs. Wanda Gruhn, widow of Rev. Michael Gruhn (Em., Lubbock) //** passing of husband, Mike
- **Rev. Dr. Robert Preece (Em., Dallas) //** passing of wife, Linda
- **Mrs. Dacia Reinke, wife of Rev. Dr. John Reinke (Texas District BMA, Round Rock) //** recovering from leg surgery, following a cycling accident

- **Rev. Tom Thierfelder (St. Paul, Bishop / St. Paul, Kingsville) //** recovery from back surgery

New Calls

(Note: Revisions to this list may be delayed so that calling congregations may announce updates to their members prior to districtwide publication.)

Commissioned

Accepted

Corey Moss // Assoc. Head of School, Prince of Peace, Carrollton to Director of School Ministry, Texas District, Round Rock (starting Jan 1, 2027)

Ordained

Accepted

Rev. Michael Knippa // Assoc., Redeemer, Austin to Sr., Redeemer, Austin

Undecided

Rev. Jared Melius // Sr., Mt. Zion, Denver, CO to Assoc., St. Paul, Austin

Rev. David Murillo // Sr., St. Paul, San Antonio to Sr., St. Luke, Dix Hills, NY

Rev. Daniel Pezzica // Sole, Our Savior, Chelsea, MI to Sr., Concordia, Garland

Rev. Paul Terral // Sole, Faith, Gainesville to Sole, Our Redeemer, Albuquerque, NM

Rev. Richard Turner // Em., El Campo to Sole, St. John's, Wharton

Funerals

Rev. Terrance S. Adamson (St. Mark, Lake Jackson) was called to glory on September 15, 2026. His funeral will be held October 10, 10:30 a.m. at St. Mark, Lake Jackson (501 Willow Dr). Please keep Pastor Adamson's wife, Claudia, and his family and friends in your prayers.

Rev. Michael V. Gruhn (Em., Lubbock) was called to glory on October 7, 2026. His funeral will be held 11:00 a.m., October 17 at St. Paul, Plainview (901 Oakland St.). Please keep Michael's wife, Wanda, his daughters, Stephanie (Rev. Travis) Pittock and Allison (Rev. Mark) Moldenhauer, and his family and friends in your prayers.

Mrs. Linda J. Preece, wife of Rev. Dr. Robert Preece (Em., Dallas), was called to glory on September 18, 2026. Her memorial service will be held October 31, 10:00 a.m. at Zion, Dallas (6121 E Lovers Ln). Her burial rite will be November 2, 10:00 a.m. at Austin Memorial Park Cemetery (Hancock Cemetery) in Austin. Please keep Pastor Preece and Linda's family and friends in your prayers.

Ordination Anniversary // October

10 years

Rev. Eddie Torea (10/23) - Cand., Plano

Hispanic Heritage Month, Week 4 // The mission field is not always far away. The nations are living right in our neighborhoods. God has placed people and communities all around us who need to hear the Good News of Jesus Christ. One Church. Many Cultures. One Mission.

El campo misionero no siempre está lejos. Las naciones están viviendo en nuestros propios vecindarios. Dios ha puesto a nuestro alrededor personas y comunidades que necesitan escuchar las Buenas Nuevas de Jesucristo.

[Watch this video for more information.](#)

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2026

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2027

JANUARY 13 // Catalyst Innovation Lab // [Learn more](#)

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