



Pray For Us Calendar

The following prayer requests were submitted to LCMS World Mission by your coworkers in the Lord's mission around the world. Congregations and individuals are invited to copy these pages for newsletters or other distribution.

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RECOGNIZED SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS - July 1-15 *Recognized Service Organizations (RSOs) are independent of the LCMS, but their aims and ministries are in harmony with the work of the LCMS. Through LCMS World Mission, 20 RSOs carry out mission and ministry in conjunction with the LCMS.*

Remember God's work through RSOs as you pray:

1. for Apple of His Eye Mission Society, as it carries out the Great Commission, with a special focus on reaching the Jewish people with the Gospel. Apple of His Eye also serves as a resource to congregations, church groups, and individuals who desire to learn more about bring the Gospel to the Jewish people.

2. for the ministry of the Brazil Mission Society, which gathers and disseminates information in the U.S. regarding the work and needs of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Brazil and connects individuals and congregations with opportunities to be involved in mission work in Brazil.

3. for Children's Christian Concern Society (CCCS), which gathers and sends financial support to further the Christian education of children around the world. CCCS supports projects in 21 countries.

4. for Family Shield Ministries, which educates and equips people, through the power of the Gospel, to know Christ, grow in His Word, and strengthen individuals and their families. Pray also for the work of Lutheran Outreach Ministry, which provides a unique model for ministry that can be used in other areas of urban ministry; walking with families by feeding the physical and personal needs of families and ministering to their spiritual needs as well; evangelizing the unchurched by seizing the various opportunities among families.

5. for International Student Ministry, which is a friendship and hospitality-focused outreach among international students, spouses, and children who have come to the United States from other countries. About 720,000 international students study in the United States every year!

6. for Lutheran Inner-City Network Coalition (LINC) in Houston, the Twin Cities, and North Texas, whose ministries' focus on church planting in cross-cultural and urban contexts, along with grassroots leadership and empowering local missionaries to impact the lives of their diverse urban communities. Pray too for Philadelphia Ministries, which also focuses on mission and outreach in urban Philadelphia.

7. for the ministry of Lutheran Association of Missionaries and Pilots, U.S., which shares Christ's Gospel with Native American people for ministry to their own people and to others. Pray also for Lutheran Bible Translators, which makes God's Word available to all people in their heart language. They also work in literacy training, so that people with newly translated Bibles can share them with their communities.

8. that the Lord would bless the ongoing work of Lutheran Blind Missions, which provides training and resources to develop communities among people who are blind, provides resources and training to equip leaders who are blind, and provides resources and training to strengthen believers, so that people who are blind and visually-impaired may read, hear, believe, and share the light of salvation seen through the cross of Jesus.

9. for the work of Lutheran Campus Ministry, which empowers Lutheran ministers and the broader church to be effective witnesses of Christ in the academic community.

10. for the Lutheran Deaf Mission, which engages in evangelism and Christian education training to help deaf people and their families know Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

11. that God would bless Lutheran Latino Ministries, which preaches the Gospel of Christ to Spanish-speaking people and trains others to do the same.

12. for the ministry of Lutheran Military Veterans and Family Ministry, which provides a wide range of human care ministries and services to veterans, their families, and congregations.

13. for the ministry of Ongoing Ambassadors for Christ (O AFC), which teaches Lutherans to use various means to share the Gospel with unbelievers. O AFC uses singing, puppets, drama, Bible studies, and other personal witnessing methods to share the Gospel.

14. for the Open Arms Institute, based out of Loveland, Colo., as they encourage and equip congregations to start early childhood centers as a way of serving their communities and building relationships with students and their families. These centers can provide a great bridge to sharing the Gospel and inviting families to church at the hosting congregation.

15. for the Transforming Churches Network, as it works to transform LCMS congregations to growing churches that have an active relationship with the communities where they serve.



Involvement Ideas



• View the current list of mission and outreach RSOs online at www.lcms.org?9164.

• Follow updates from the National Youth Gathering online at www.lcmsgathering.org.

• Join the National Youth Gathering group on Facebook®. Go to www.facebook.com and search for "LCMS National Youth Gathering."

• Follow the National Youth Gathering on Twitter® at www.twitter.com/lcmsgathering.

• Learn more about the International Lutheran Laymen's League and Lutheran Hour Ministries at www.ihm.org.



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NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING - July 16-23 *More than 25,000 youth are expected to attend the LCMS' tri-annual National Youth Gathering in New Orleans, La., which runs from July 17-21.*

Remember the National Youth Gathering as you pray:

16. for God's protection to surround youth groups, leaders, exhibitors, spiritual life leaders, and others who are traveling to New Orleans for the National Youth Gathering.

17. for many Lutheran youth to be strengthened and encouraged in their faith, as they gather with other young believers and are fed by lessons from God's Word.

18. for the delegation of "missionary kids" attending the gathering from various countries around the world—may this time with other youth be a special blessing for them as they enjoy fellowship with other Christian believers.

19. that the speakers who address the youth in the large group sessions and workshops throughout the gathering would speak God's truth and would both encourage and challenge the young

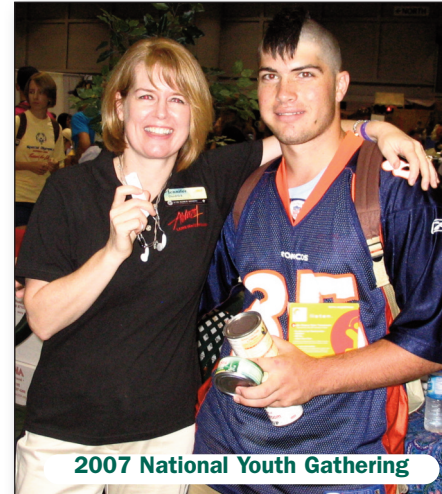
listeners with a message from God's Word.

20. that the Lord would use this special time to build strong relationships and friendships between the youth that attend, so that they may continue to encourage one another and hold each other accountable.

21. that as youth visit the LCMS World Mission exhibit area and learn about LCMS mission work around the world, they would be moved to pray for missionaries and consider missionary service themselves.

22. that God would use the gathering as a strong witness to the New Orleans community—that all interactions between attendees and works at the convention center, in the hotels, and in the community would be a blessing that points people to Jesus.

23. that God would use what the gathering attendees have learned and experienced to help them live out their faith as they return to their homes and communities.



INTERNATIONAL LUTHERAN LAYMEN'S LEAGUE - July 24-31 *In 2010, the 93rd international convention of the International Lutheran Laymen's League will be held in Omaha, Neb., from July 22-25. Participants will come together under the theme, "Spirit-Driven," which is taken from 2 Tim. 1:7.*

Remember the International Lutheran Laymen's League as you pray:

24. that the speakers, exhibitors, and others who share would be an encouragement and inspiration to those attending the convention, which began on Thursday and continues through tomorrow.

25. with thanksgiving for all who attended the convention in Omaha—may the Lord bless their travel home and may the Holy Spirit prompt them to share what they've learned with others.

26. that those in Omaha who met or interacted with convention attendees would notice something different in their lives because of their faith in Jesus, and would search for answers if they don't yet know Him as their Savior.

27. for the ongoing ministries of

Lutheran Hour Ministries, which was initiated by the LLL when it made a commitment to fund one year of broadcasting a weekly national radio program to be called The Lutheran Hour® (LHM).

28. that the Lord would bless special initiatives of LHM, such as the Men's NetWork and Woman to Woman, which intentionally reach out to men and women in specific, relational ways.

29. that God would use the short-term mission teams sent by LHM to Africa, Asia, Eurasia, and Latin America to share Christ's love with people around the world in word and deed.

30. with thanksgiving for Lutheran Hour Ministries' partnership with LCMS World Mission in various projects and locations

around the world as they work together to share the Gospel with those who do not yet know Jesus as their Savior.

31. that God would continue to bless LLL members and LHM leaders and volunteers with wisdom and discernment as they look towards the future and make decisions about how to carry on their ministries.



Missionary Birthdays

Missionary prayer cards may be downloaded from the LCMS World Mission Web site at www.lcmsworldmission.org/prayercards.

- July 4** Mark Krause, Latvia
- July 7** Bob Roberts, Macau
- July 8** Rudolph Blank, Latin America; David Hoepfner, India
- July 13** Peter Pfaff, Japan
- July 14** Jane Klammer, Asia
- July 15** Jonathan Braun, Macau; Connie Larson, Asia
- July 17** Megan Birney, Hong Kong; Michelle Gerlach, Asia; Stephen Oliver, Taiwan
- July 19** Jonathan Muhly, Russia
- July 24** Monta Denow, Thailand; Joel Zielke, Asia
- July 26** Kevin Foley, Taiwan; Bryn Welcenbach, Macau
- July 27** Jenae Siebarth, Japan
- July 31** James Koerschen, Asia

Military Chaplains with birthdays in July:

Chaplain Matthew Boarts, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.; Chaplain Jon Conroe, Great Lakes, Ill.; Chaplain Kevin Cramm, Fort Sill, Okla.; Chaplain David Gunderson, Afghanistan; Chaplain Gregory Lucido, Fort Gillem, Ga.; Chaplain Kelly-Ray Meritt, Bronx VAMC, N.Y.; Chaplain David Reedy, Korea; Chaplain Patrick Riley, USS Ronald Reagan, Calif.; Chaplain Ryan Rupe, Milwaukee, Wis.; Chaplain James Watson, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.; Chaplain Edward Wright, Fort Bliss, Texas

