

News from the Michael Paul family serving our Lord in Taiwan

michael.paul@lcms.org



Our family

Michael, Jen-Yi "Irene",
Rachel, Jonathan, Elizabeth



Pastor Paul's Call

Pastor Paul is a theological educator in Taiwan, serving with the China Evangelical Lutheran Church (CELC) and China Lutheran Seminary (CLS). He is called to teach, write, and help plant and pastor Lutheran churches.

To be added to or removed from this mailing list, send an email message to michael.paul@lcmsintl.org with the word ADD or REMOVE in the subject line.

Our Neighbors Learn the Faith



Pastor Lu (far right), Vicar Zhao, and Irene join three women, including Ying Tong (next to Irene), for class

we hope will be baptized after the class has finished. Please join us in praying that our neighbors would attend regularly, and that God's Word would create and strengthen Christian faith in those who learn.

The local Chinese pastor we work closely with, Rev. Dr. Joseph Lu, began an eight-week Small Catechism class this past month. Irene invited five of our neighbors to attend, and several have attended at least one of the lessons. Particularly interested and faithful in attendance is Yingtong, who

Elizabeth Leaves the Field

Our daughter Elizabeth has now left Taiwan to begin college in the US this Fall at Concordia University – Wisconsin (studying classical education). She will be greatly missed by Irene and me, but will also leave big holes of service, as she was our faithful and competent worship piano accompanist and children's Bible story teacher. Elizabeth has been an invaluable member of our three-person neighborhood-outreach team of the past four years. The work has gone like this: 1) Irene meets lots of young mothers in our own and neighboring apartment complexes. 2) The mothers come to our home with their infants and toddlers; 3) I teach the mothers God's Word; 4) Elizabeth teaches the children Bible stories. While we will all miss Elizabeth in Taiwan, we are thankful that she can prepare for future service to others at Concordia.



Elizabeth in a farewell picture with her little friends at Church

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.
(Colossians 3:16 ESV)





Home Service in Full Swing



We arrived in the US on June 13th, and aside from a brief break for our daughter Rachel's wedding, we've been busy visiting congregations throughout the Midwest. My Chinese coworkers in Taiwan have a difficult time understanding why we need to return to the US. Many think we're here for vacation. Some

What can you pray for?

Thanks for:

- our neighbors studying God's Word with Pastor Lu
- the faithful service of Elizabeth over the past four years
- safe travel and blessed visits to US congregations this summer

Petitions for:

- God's Word to strengthen faith in our neighbors, and that those not yet baptized can be baptized soon
- God's blessings on Rachel & Eli's marriage & on Elizabeth's college studies
- continued safe travel in the US

Our mailing address:

No. 98, 12F Lipeng Road
Hsinchu City 30072
TAIWAN, R.O.C



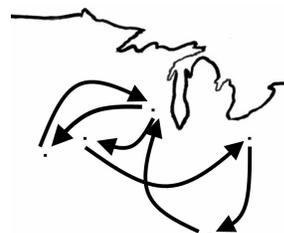
China Lutheran Seminary

Our official website:
www.lcms.org/paul

are frustrated that we have to be gone from the work there so long. They say, "We're so busy, and you're so busy. There's so much to do! We can't afford for you to be gone for so long." But I say in response, "You can't afford for me *not* to be gone in the US. I need to raise financial support there so that I can continue serving here!" While it's difficult for us to leave our service in Taiwan, what a blessing it is to see so many of God's people here in the US excited about His mission. Please pray for safe travels and stamina as we continue our support-building tour.

Home Service Visitation Schedule

We still hope to add lots more visits, but here is what is scheduled for the rest of the summer so far:



July

- 10 PM - St. Andrew, Van Horne IA
- 12 PM - Faith, Mt Pleasant IA
- 13 PM - Trinity, Ottumwa IA
- 14 AM - St. Paul, Buckeye IA
- 14 AM - St. Paul, Alden IA
- 14 PM - Immanuel, Iowa Falls IA
- 16 PM - Pella, Waupun WI
- 22 PM - St Paul, Westlake OH

- 25 PM - St Paul, Royal Oak MI
- 28 AM - Trinity, Darmstadt IN

August

- 4 AM - St Peter, Vincennes IN
- 11 AM - Our Saviour, Evansville IN
- 18 AM - St. Paul, Evansville IN
- 20 PM - Zion, Naperville IL
- 25 AM - Blessed Savior, Milwaukee WI

Keeping up-to-date: If you're not receiving this newsletter by email but would like to, please contact us at michael.paul@lcms.org. For frequent facebook updates, go to the facebook group: "Michael Paul family Taiwan mission."

There are many opportunities to serve as short-term or GEO missionaries. Check out the current list and download an application at www.lcms.org/service. Click on "Service Opportunities."

To support our work financially, you may make checks payable (memo line: "Support of Missionary Michael Paul") to "The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod" and send your tax-deductible gift to:

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod
P.O. Box 66861
St. Louis, MO 63166-6861



You can **ALSO** make checks payable to "Mission Central" and send your tax-deductible gift to our friends at: Mission Central, 40718 Highway E-16, Mapleton, IA 51034.