



Sam Borgwardt-Serving the Lord in Asia

Grace to you all in our Savior, Jesus! September was a productive month for the LCMS Asia Region and for me personally. We were blessed to host all 25+ Asia-based LCMS missionaries in Chiayi, Taiwan for our first Work Group meeting since 2019.



It was a tremendous blessing to have all the Asia missionaries together in-person to worship and learn from the Scriptures together. We all attended continuing education courses led by LCMS St. Louisbased colleagues that made the arduous journey out to Asia. It was a great reminder

<u>Rev. Tom Park</u> and I share a moment (top). Missionary families (below).



to the missionaries, that they are not alone in their work. The Lord is the one that calls people to faith, and we all benefit from the great support systems that the LCMS provides. Please thank the Lord for an excellent Work Group, and that He would graciously refresh all our LCMS missionaries to continue to boldly Spread the Gospel, Plant Lutheran Churches and Show Mercy in the region.



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Asia Regional Director Rev. Charles Ferry and I also had the opportunity to visit our brothers in India at the India Evangelical Lutheran Church (IELC) and Concordia Theological Seminary Nagercoil (CTSN) in September. We represented the LCMS as CTSN inaugurates their centennial celebration of the founding of CTSN. At the service, Rev. Ferry delivered an excellent sermon on how Christianity is all about God serving us, chiefly dying in our place! I represented the LCMS in remarks and stated that as the IELC and CTSN continue to stand on the Bible, they will always <u>have a friend in the LCMS</u>.



Rev. Ferry and I at CTSN's opening centennial service.



Delivering remarks to the attendees of the CTSN centennial service.

Prayer Requests:

- Thank the Lord for an excellent Asia Work Group. Pray the Holy Spirit would continue to refresh our missionaries for continued dedication to their responsibilities.
- Please pray for the IELC and CTSN as they begin a year-long celebration on the centennial founding of the seminary.