

Singapore Teaching

My Call to Taiwan is to serve as a theological educator. This past

month I did quite a bit of focusing especially on that...theological educating. First of all, I was invited by the Lutheran Church in Singapore (LCS) to teach their Church leaders the new Chinese translation of the book *Lutheranism 101*. The national language of Singapore is English, and the pastors and other Church leaders of the LCS have all studied their theology in English. But in addition to their English services, all five of the LCS congregations also have a Mandarin Chinese-language worship service for those who still understand Mandarin the best. The LCS has already offered *Lutheranism 101* classes in English, but they asked me to come to teach the Chinese edition to the Mandarin-speaking Church leaders, so that they would then be better able to teach their Mandarin-speaking members. I taught in Singapore for five days, four hours each morning. In addition, I brought with me a large suitcase packed with samples of some of the best Lutheran resources available in Chinese, many of which the LCS church leaders were previously unaware of. I'll soon be arranging to have additional copies of many of these resources sent to Singapore for use in their congregations.



Pastor Paul's Call

Pastor Paul is a theological educator in Taiwan, serving with the China Evangelical Lutheran Church (CELC). He teaches God's Word at seminary and congregational levels, and develops text, audio, and video resources for the Chinese Church.



Elders...must hold firm to the trustworthy word as taught, so that he may be able to give instruction in sound doctrine and also to rebuke those who contradict it.

Titus 1:9 (ESV)



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What can you pray for?

Thanks for:

- the good *Lutheranism 101* course in Singapore
- the opportunity to present the Reformation lectures

Petitions for:

- the Singapore Church leaders who attended the *Lutheranism 101* course, that they could now productively teach their own Church members
- the China Evangelical Lutheran Church, that God would send out more laborers into the Taiwan harvest field
- safe travel for our family members coming soon to visit

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Reformation Lectures

The other major theological educating that I did recently was to give two Reformation lectures at three different

Lutheran congregations in Taiwan. My two topics were *From Fear to Assurance: The Life of Martin Luther*, and *Christ Alone and the Christian Life*. Including online viewers, about 80 people heard the lectures live, but already several dozen have watched the YouTube video that was made from the livestream (here: <https://youtu.be/dzo7t3y4eVI>). I've also given Reformation lectures five of the other eight years I've been here, and, Lord-willing, I'll some day edit and publish them in book form. While I don't consider myself a true "Luther scholar," the type of content these lectures contain is simply very rare in the Chinese language, and any new material like this is a great help for the Chinese Church.



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