



### 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.

To be added to or removed from this mailing list, send an email message to [michael.paul@lcms.org](mailto:michael.paul@lcms.org) with the word ADD or REMOVE in the subject line.

My Call to Taiwan is to be a “theological educator.” The type of “theological educating” that I do is determined largely by what the LCMS partner synod here, the China Evangelical Lutheran Church (CELC), would like me to teach. This Spring I was asked to teach a course called “Getting to Know the Lutheran Church” for members of the various CELC congregations. I teach the course in two different locations, one in the north on Saturday mornings, and one in the south on Sunday afternoons. Spread over six weeks, the first class was on the history of the Lutheran Church, the next three are on the theology of the Lutheran Church, and the final two are on the practice of the Lutheran Church. Between the two classes there are 30 students all together. The majority of the students are in their 50s or 60s, but there are a few older than that and several younger. The CELC hopes that this class will prepare the students to be better able to support the work of God's Word in their congregations, and per-

## Spring Theology Course



haps even encourage some of them to study additional theology in a formal seminary program.

If you put these things before the brothers, you will be a good servant of Christ Jesus, being trained in the words of the faith and of the good doctrine that you have followed.

1 Timothy 4:6 (ESV)





**What can you pray for?**

**Thanks for:**

- the opportunity to teach the Christian faith to members of CELC congregations
- the many opportunities Jen-Yi has to share God's Word with other music students

**Petitions for:**

- good progress on book and hymnal development
- Irene's classmates, that they would be willing to attend Church activities
- good progress on the establishment of a Lutheran Music Conservatory here in Taiwan

Our mailing address:

No. 21, 5F-1 Xinrong Road, Alley 35  
Chiayi City 600  
TAIWAN, R.O.C



**VDMA**  
the Word of the Lord  
endures forever

our official website:  
**www.lcms.org/paul**

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](http://www.lcms.org/service). Click on "Service Opportunities."

As reported a few months ago, Jen-Yi has been using a cello class to get to know people and share God's Word with them. Since that seemed to go well, she's now added a flute class, a string ensemble, and a ukulele class.

**More Music and Witness**



The ukulele class, like the cello class, is sponsored by the local government and open to those 50 or older. Also like the cello students, the ukulele students are all women, and Jen-Yi has gotten to know many of them, shared the Gospel with them, and invited them to Church. While no one has come to Church yet, a few seem interested, and we pray that further strengthening of relationships will lead to more connections with God's Word.

**Missionary as Connector...**

...Connecting Christians in foreign lands to good congregations in foreign countries, that is. We regularly have requests to help Taiwanese Christians find good congregations while they travel to other countries to study or emigrate. Recent examples include one in the Czech Republic, a few in Australia, and several in the US. Fortunately, with the large LCMS international network, we are usually able to give a good suggestion or two, and recently have had two great "success stories." Special thanks to the pastors and members of Our Savior, Cupertino, CA, and Hope, Aurora, CO, for

welcoming, and in one case even catechizing and baptizing, a Taiwanese now living in the US.



**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](mailto:michael.paul@lcms.org). For frequent Facebook updates, go to the Facebook group: "Michael Paul family Taiwan mission."

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.