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News from Rev. Dr. Arthur, Deaconess Eva, and the Rickman Family serving in Latin America

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## Letters from Latin America

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thank you so much for your faithful prayers and support! God is so gracious! We wish all of you could have been here to celebrate the rededication of Redeemer with us! Words and photos cannot fully capture the joy as nearly 200 people gathered together to give thanks to God and rededicate the sanctuary for His glory!

Following the rededication, with the start of Lent, Arthur began a sermon series on the six chief parts of the catechism. The hope is that it will serve both as a review for our current members and as an introduction to the Lutheran faith for new visitors. Following Easter, we plan to start catechism classes.

Deaconess formation continues throughout the region, and we recently finished up our class on the Old Testament with the ladies in Panama and Spain. Next week, we will continue with the second part of the practicum and following Easter will finish off this year's classes with a class on Suffering, Mercy and the Theology of the Cross. Please continue to keep these ladies in your prayers as they continue to learn and grow in their own faith while putting their studies into practice serving their local congregations.

We have also resumed English classes and have really enjoyed the blessing of getting to know the students on a more personal level as they practice their English. Please pray for God's continued guidance as we seek other opportunities to reach out to our community.



Panama



Colombia



Mexico

...and other areas in  
Latin America and the  
Caribbean.

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## Requests, Praises, and Thanks

- ...for the church in Panama.
- ...for health and safety for our family as we serve in Latin America.
- ...for the deaconess students we are working with in Panama and Spain.
- ...for Arthur's upcoming travels to Mexico.
- ...thanks for the grace and eternal promises from the one who gives us all good things.
- ...thanks for the opportunities to serve His people in Latin America.
- ...thanks for all who make it possible for us to serve.

There are many opportunities to serve. Check out the current list and download an application at [www.lcms.org/service](http://www.lcms.org/service). Click on "Service Opportunities."

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## Rickman Family Update

Our family has been trying to reach out to those in the local neighborhoods surrounding the



church to let them know about the reopening of Redeemer.

Bethany and Zoe worked together to design some fliers for the church and our family has been busy passing them out. Please pray that those without a church home will come visit and hear the Gospel!



*Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift!  
2 Corinthians 9:15*

**We thank all of you for partnering with us and making it possible for us to share the most important message with those in Latin America! Please prayerfully consider supporting the ongoing work here with a monthly pledge. We are thankful for each of you walking alongside us!**

**In Christ <+><**,

*Arthur and Eva,*

*Bethany, Zoe, Noah, Nathaniel, Mary Anna, Addy and Hannah*



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