

Lutheran Latino Ministries

Ministerios Latinos Luteranos

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**Christ for all...
Cristo para todos**

Thank you!

Your generous gifts *exceeded* our *Enlarge the Harvest* fundraising goal of \$10,000! That will provide about 2 ½ months of support for Deaconess Marta in the coming year. We are deeply grateful to all of you who help to sustain the mission and ministry.



Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread...

Every day Lutheran Latino Ministries workers are introducing people to Jesus, the Bread of Life.

Deaconess Marta Luna carries Christ, the bread of life, into the lives of people who are hurting and need His love. It might be taking diapers to a new mom, giving a ride to the doctor or immigration attorney, or delivering food and giving a devotion and singing with the children – making a happy memory in the midst of a trying situation, and nurturing their spiritual life.



Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread... continued

Vicar Ruberto, while continuing his studies and working, conducts worship and Bible studies in person and online, delivering the bread of life to the people of Trinity and Ascension in Portland, and even as far as his hometown in Yucatan.



Edgar Burgos and Pr. Eric Moeller (Trinity, Portland) host Bibles and Basketball every Friday with a group of a dozen teens who are hungry for the bread of life.



Pr. Zabdi Lopez (Hope, Woodburn, OR) is coordinating a training class for about 15 people from Hope, Ascension, and Trinity, equipping them to share the bread of life with people around neighboring congregations. He and Pastor Eric Moeller plan to continue training and equipping people to lead the church into the future.

Meet Future Deaconess Hana Laughton



Hana (pronounced Hah-na) Laughton is a member of Ascension Lutheran Church in Portland. She has grown up in Ascension's preschool, Soccer Clinic, and Latino ministry. Hana is bilingual and holds a Bachelor's Degree in psychology with a minor in Spanish. She loves working with children, playing her flutes (she owns several), and singing.

In spring of 2021 she will begin studies in Concordia Seminary's new Online Deaconess Studies program. Her internship begins when classes begin and continues through the four-year program. Hana also serves as Secretary of Lutheran Latino Ministries.

In addition to her studies and internship work Hana plans to continue working full time at Reynolds High School in Portland where she works with medically fragile students and their families.

Future deaconess Hana Laughton delivers the bread of life as she helps Pastor Jim Sprengle teach Ascension's Confirmation Class and she looks forward to even more service, working with children and families at Ascension and Trinity when her internship begins in February.

God is using LLM's workers to answer the prayer "Give us this day our daily bread..."

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God uses you, our champions, to provide the daily bread that sustains our workers. Through them, you are helping to provide the bread of life to the people we serve.

We pray that God will bless you with your daily bread in abundance sufficient for you to bless Lutheran Latino Ministries with the funding that provides the daily bread for our workers.

God uses you to bless us with the \$4,000 needed every month to sustain our missionary Deaconess.

God will use you to bless us with the \$1,000 every month to sustain our deaconess intern.

God uses you to bless our workers with the seminary education they need.

We thank God for you, our faithful champions! Many people are blessed through your generosity.

Are you ready to become a Harvest Partner?

If you are not already a recurring donor we ask and encourage you to consider giving monthly. Any amount given regularly adds to the security of God's faithful servants who in turn are able to **share the bread of life.**

"You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God."

2 Corinthians 9:11

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Newsletter and YEAR END APPEAL

CHALLENGE!

Invite someone half your age to become a champion of Lutheran Latino Ministries.

May God bless you with health and prosper the work He has given you to do, and may you be filled with the peace of which the angels sang – Peace between God and those who love Him.



Que Dios los bendiga con salud y prospere la obra que Él les ha dado a cumplir. Que se llene de la paz de la cual cantaron los ángeles – Paz entre Dios y los que lo aman.