

# LCMS WORLD MISSIONS – NEW YORK CITY

## MISSION REPORT FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER

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### New Mission Stories



#### **South Asian Outreach :**

David Yusuf has started a ministry among Pakistani immigrants. Presently, they are worshipping at Grace Lutheran Church in Mastic Beach. David is working with a group of people to potentially start a worship service in Queens/Brooklyn area. Pray that any of churches in Queens/Brooklyn area to open their doors where he could hold bible studies and services eventually. He shares the love of Jesus through tract evangelism and one-on-one dialog evangelism. This ministry is funded by the Atlantic District first phase Ablaze grant money initiative. David has completed translating Luther's Small Catechism in Urdu language and presently discussions are progressing to be published along with guidance from Lutheran Heritage Foundation. Pray for David and his wife Parveen and their needs. They have four grown children living here and in Pakistan.



### **Korean Outreach**

Pray for Colloquy Candidate Leem and his needs to be met so that he can start an outreach in Queens and Brooklyn. He is envisioning to start a Korean Student ministry. Pray for a Korean Outreach among non-Christian Koreans who are mostly from Buddhist and Korean Shamanism religious backgrounds. Korean ministry is supported by AD-LCMS and St.Peter, Brooklyn



### **New York Hindi Ministry:**

This is a ministry among Hindi speaking group. They have been a worshipping community of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Whitestone, NY. Rajesh Das is giving the leadership. Pray for his many needs to be covered. This ministry is partially supported by Immanuel, Whitestone.



Leem

EJR

Paul Singleman

**Cabrini Nursing Home Outreach** : Paul Singleman, Deacon -in -Training holds weekly services on Wednesdays at Cabrini Nursing Home in Bronx/Westchester County. This is a new start where it brings nearly 25-30 people in an adult day care facility. St. Matthew, Hastings on Hudson supports this ministry by covering Paul's travel from Queens to Westchester.



Our Store From Ministry In Brooklyn



Joseph and Agnus Lee

**Living Water Lutheran Outreach, Benson Hurst, Brooklyn, New York:**

This is a ministry predominantly among Chinese American community. Joseph and Agnus Lee our LCMS members are engaged in this outreach with dedication through their after school program. They inviting families towards Christian instruction. They meet for worship service on all Sundays at 8:45 am. Services held in Chinese/English.

We need volunteers to help out in their Vacation Bible School in July. Please contact Pastor Johnson for details.

## **Ministry in Harlem:**

Gary Byrd a former Small Business Association Coordinator in South Jamaica looking for ways to reach out to the communities in Harlem. He is studying some possibilities and help to create Lutheran Economic Development Corporation. Gary is working on series of seminars and assistance to community hurting in this economic downturn. Gary is interested in starting new ministries/small groups through this network.

## **Missional study group:**

This is for pastors /deacons and any rested individuals. The first one was held at on January 22<sup>nd</sup> at Church for All Nations, Manhattan, NY. They will be reading a book called “Spiritual Leadership in the Global City”. We will be broadening this opportunity to several places in the days to come.



**Some of our Missionaries and their families New Year Luncheon on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009.** Luncheon was sponsored by the Atlantic District- Lutheran Church Extension Fund.

*Sarah, Stephanie and David Leem;  
James and David Roy;  
Rajesh, Sujatha and Anrea Das;  
Ajilkumar;  
Johnson, Sharon and Susan  
Rethinasamy,  
Karl, Stefan, Martina, Nikolas and  
Paul Singleman;  
David, Parveen and Suzanna Yusuf.*

Pray for the Deacons and Pastors in Atlantic District circuit 6 ( Brooklyn/Staten Island) as they are interested in looking at planting a church or life group in Averene/Far Rockaway section or wherever no presence of Christian outreach in the new developing communities.

Pray that God to open ways in identifying leaders in the five boroughs of New York (Queens, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Bronx and Staten Island)

Pray for the existing LCMS churches in the city for their mission and ministry in urban context.

Pray that the Lord to show us leader(s) who can speak Spanish and available to start Hispanic outreach(es) in the city.

Pray to get an apartment complex in the context of development to support missions and offer housing assistance to missionary pastors/leaders and our short term teams

Please keep our **Emanuel Lutheran Church in Corona** in your prayers as we are looking into a Hispanic outreach, food pantry and after school program opportunity in the neighborhood.



Pray for a opening of a campus ministry and international student ministry outreach as we have been dialoging with various organizations to partner in this venture. We have been working with LCMS campus and international student ministry initiatives along these lines.

**Immediate Needs:**

1. Two Acoustic Guitars for ministry ( Korean and Overseas Student Ministry)
2. Cars in running condition for Missionaries
3. Volunteers Needed to plan and start Food Pantry Ministry in Corona, Queens
4. Short term mission workers housing needs
5. Adopt a missionary program. If each of our Circuits can adopt one missionary and support them would be fruit-bearing in their own local context.
6. Churches sharing their spaces for new ministries

From the Mission Field

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