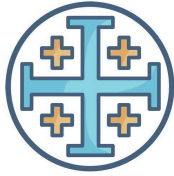


June



HONDURAS MISSION

- Supporting church plants near the capital and southern coast
- Intentional outreach to children and their families
- Beginning a new Lutheran mission in Choluteca

The ministry in Honduras began when Loli Bohling, a Honduran native, and her husband Eric, a farmer from Auburn Nebraska, felt a spiritual concern for relatives and friends in Honduras, and began to explore planting a missionary in Honduras. In 2006, a group of farmers from Auburn donated the proceeds from a soybean crop to fund this mission work. In 2007 – 2008, members of Trinity Lutheran in Auburn NE and Mission Central met, took an exploratory mission trip to Honduras, and began plans to move ahead to develop a missionary presence in Honduras.

Trinity's 2008 VBS offerings enabled 6 Trinity members along with others from Honduras to teach 60 children at a VBS in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. Those seeds planted now bear fruit as children and adults are being baptized and instructed in sound Lutheran doctrine through ongoing activities of Christian education. The Honduran mission effort was spearheaded by Deacon Tulio Meza (Loli's brother) and Nicaraguan missionary Rev. Junior Martinez. Tulio lives and works in Comayagua and Junior centers his ministry in La Paz.

As plans were being made in 2014 to rent space to expand in Comayagua, a friend of Tulio offered a small house needing repair. Work began on the house with the help of many neighborhood children and adults to install a new roof and floor; and they now have a wonderful building for their mission. Construction of a much-needed parsonage was completed in 2020 for Pastor Martinez and his family and a new worship facility in La Paz was dedicated in 2022, which is the 1st church building dedicated in Honduras with a worshipping congregation and pastor. Please keep these men and their families as well as all the citizens of Honduras in your prayers. Also, your gifts in support of this project will help to train more Hondurans to share the message of God's perfect love, the forgiveness of sins, and the promise of salvation by the sacrifice of Jesus on Calvary's cross.

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From the left, Pastor Martínez, his wife, Rosa María, their children, Junior and Maria, and in front, two other young family members, Maria José and Sofía.