

Short-Term Mission Teams

Women and men of all ages are needed for short-term mission teams sponsored by LCMS World Mission. Could God be calling you to mission work? Do you know of someone you could encourage joining a team? There are two teams to the foreign mission field being recruited at this time.

1. **Slovakia – July 30-August 9, 2009** – College and high school students and adults are needed to prepare and lead an English language summer camp for children and youth (Christian and non-Christian) who have varying levels of English language capacity. Mornings will be spent teaching English using the Bible through a prepared curriculum. Afternoons will be filled with fun camp activities using the team's creativity. The team leader is Sarah Livesay, Grace Lutheran Church, Arlington. Contact by April 30th if interested.
2. **Macau – October 16-25, 2009** – The missionaries of Concordia English Center Macau have asked for help in preparing outreach events to invite the community into the church and English Center through instruction in English as a Foreign Language. This team will use the teaching of conversational English to further the message of the Gospel. Dr. Mary Ann Waldon, Hope Lutheran Church, Friendswood is team leader. Contact by July 1st if interested.

Check out: <http://blog.lcmsworldmission.org> for a video or www.lcmsworldmission.org for more information on Macau and Slovakia. Included with this mailing are two brochures on Slovakia and Macau mission teams for printing and distributing.

The qualifications for participation in a mission trip are:

- Active member of LCMS congregation
- Passport for the international trips
- Costs involved with the trip, including travel fares, visa, lodging, food, medical insurance, on-field transportation, coordination and other field expenses (fund-raising may be done within local congregation, community, LWML, etc.)
- Desire to reach more people with the Gospel

If you are interested in joining a team or desire more information, please contact Debbie Curry at missions@lwmltxdist.org or 936-634-2720.

LWML President Jan Wendorf has challenged the Texas District LWML to send two short-term teams to the mission field by March 2010 to support our missionaries and partner churches. Knowing the gifted women of Texas have a heart for missions and the desire to share their gifts with others nationally and internationally, LWML groups are asked to recruit team members, pray for the missionaries and possible team members and support financially those making a commitment. If your group would like to send financial assistance for Sarah, please contact Debbie Curry.

Matthew 9:37-38 *"Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.'"*