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PRAYER GUIDE FOR LWML MISSION GRANTS

Prayers for: Training Teachers and Leaders—
Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

PRAYER #1

Dear Heavenly Father, we acknowledge that You have so richly blessed us with the remarkable grace of Your Word and Sacraments. Send Your Spirit to lead us to share this saving message of Jesus Christ with others throughout the world. Encourage us to give not only our mite offerings, but our heartfelt prayers as well in support of training teachers and leaders from countries where the financial support is not available. In the name of Your Son, our Savior we pray. Amen.

PRAYER #2

Lord, we thank You for the abundant blessings You have bestowed on us. Thank You for the pastors, teachers, and trained leaders of our Synod. We ask now that You bless the efforts of Concordia Seminary Graduate School in St. Louis as they provide valued theological education to Lutheran men and women from around the globe who have come to receive advanced theological study in a confessional Lutheran context. Please bless our efforts of financial and prayerful support of this mission grant. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

PRAYER #3

Oh Lord God, You instructed us in Matthew to go to all nations to teach them Your Word. As we support, through the Graduate School of Concordia Seminary, those who come from other lands to receive advanced theological training, we are helping make it possible for them to be equipped with a confessional Lutheran understanding of the Gospel of Jesus Christ so that they may teach and lead throughout the world for generations to come. May Your Spirit guide us in our financial and prayerful support of this mission grant. We pray this in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

PRAYER #4

Dear Lord, We ask Your Holy Spirit to guide the professors of the Graduate School of Concordia Seminary as they teach the men and women who have come from countries where advanced theological training is not available to them. As we support this mission grant of teaching and training leaders with our mite offerings and prayers, keep us mindful that we are helping to facilitate the global proclamation of a confessional Lutheran understanding of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. It is in His name that we pray. Amen.

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MISSION GRANT STORY

Training Teachers and Leaders— Concordia Seminary, St. Louis \$100,000

Global Lutheran churches with which The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) works are seeking, more than ever, advanced theological study in a confessional Lutheran context for those who will teach and lead them in the years to come. At the same time, very few of these church bodies are able to support the cost of sending to the LCMS the best men and women that they have for graduate study.

The Graduate School of Concordia Seminary St. Louis is helping prepare both men and women for informed and thoughtful service in the church and world today. These students are anxious for the study of theology under the supervision of skilled and respected professors in an educational environment that is not available to them in the lands from which they come. With the completion of their studies, they will return home to teach and to lead in the global proclamation of a confessional Lutheran understanding of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Assisting the global Lutheran churches with which the LCMS works with their desire to raise up a next generation of those who will teach and lead by making it possible for them to acquire advanced theological degrees is a strong commitment of Concordia Seminary's Graduate School. They are there to equip those who will teach and lead throughout the world for years to come in the global proclamation of a confessional Lutheran understanding of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to the training of those who will train countless others to proclaim Jesus boldly.

To fund these students, the Graduate School actively seeks new partners and additional sources of funding. The approximate annual cost for an individual for these advanced studies is more than \$40,000. These costs include tuition and fees, room and board, travel, health insurance, books, supplies, and miscellaneous expenses. The LWML is delighted to join in support of this vital work through mite offerings and prayers.

