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Like them or hate them but those radical thinkers get something done. They are committed to what they believe. They are going to contribute to the cause. Our only prayer is that their cause is a just one.

Where or to what do you find yourself-committed? What excites you? How about being loved? Love overlooks a multitude of shortcomings. Think about your mother or father or how you yourself “overlook” the shortcomings of your children. We often talk of a mother’s love but what about the love that our Heavenly Father has for us. Created a perfect world for us, after we went off in the wrong direction He sent people like Moses, Isaiah, David etc. to try and get us back on track. Ultimately, He sent His Son as a human being to clean the slate for us. Kind of exciting, huh? You, specifically, were so important to Him, so loved, that He was willing to do anything to keep you close to Him.



Bench sitter or one that gets in the game and makes something happen? What role do you play? What role are you satisfied with? I spent the last few nights watching the World Series. I saw people giving it their all to make a play or hit the ball out of the ball park. I heard a lot of people yelling, saw a lot of texting, people getting excited. We didn’t know what to do to make our team win. I guess if we were there we’d scream as loudly as we could, waved our towels, and hoped against hope that what we wanted would come true.



For those of us who couldn’t be there we didn’t know if we were wearing the right shirt, or sitting in the correct position, or if we shouldn’t be watching at all because we didn’t want to be a jinx to our team. But the important point was that we were excited and wanted to be involved in any way we could so that our team would succeed. We might have been a minor part of what was happening but we wanted to do our part.



Different scenario. Still a bench sitter or one that gets in the game and makes something happen? Only now the team is the Body of Christ, the church, the Holy Christian Church. Are you a bench sitter or are you involved? Remember, God loved you, the people of this world, so much that He sent His Son Jesus to come and pay the price for our



shortcomings. But then He also gathered His people around Him and said that He wanted them to join Him on His mission of bringing that Good News to people everywhere.

I guess here is where we need to see where we are. Are we sitting on the bench just watching to see what others are doing or are we determined to join Jesus on His mission of reaching out to the lost of this world to bring them into the fold, His fold of all the “sheep” that He has rescued?



How do we avoid those words of Jesus when He said, “Go, make disciples, baptize, teach them all that I have commanded you” (Matthew



28:19-20) or when the Bible says, “Give praise to the Lord, proclaim His name; make known among the nations what He has done”? (Psalm 105:1). You don’t know how to get involved, how to get off the bench and into the game? There are all kinds of ways. But, let me make some suggestions.

- How about beginning with a heart to heart talk with our Heavenly Father, a little prayer time? Pray for courage, insights, and for others who are already out there sharing the Good Word.



- Consider making the ministry that KIMA is undertaking a regular part of your tithe to the LORD. The ministry including subsidies to missions, Vacation Bible School materials, and aid to the leaders of these missions comes to approximately \$4,667 a month or \$56,000 a year.

• Adopting as a personal friend one of the pastors and his family, one of the seminary students, or an LCMS Missionary. Google translate does wonders in making it possible to communicate with our Spanish speaking brothers and sisters. I’d be happy to give you the contact information.



- Donating towards or constructing an altar for several of the missions. There are several missions that do not have an altar except for a small table.

• December Pedalin’ Pastors fundraiser. We ask for your support by going to www.youcaring.com/orlc and becoming a sponsor of these pastors who are riding their bikes to help support mission work in DFW and in Mexico. Maybe you could even make a few copies of the flyer below and pass it around.

Pico de Gallo
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Bike Ride

Pedalin' Pastors

**Rio Grande Valley
Century Bike Ride
Saturday, December 2**

THE HOTTEST FUNDRAISER ON TWO WHEELS!

You can help sponsor the Pedalin’ Pastors as they cycle their way 100 miles for mission outreach!

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MISSION STATEMENT FOR THIS EVENT

- Elevating the mission given to us by Christ to **care** for our neighbors
- Raising awareness of the work KIMA and ORLC do as we **serve** our neighbors
- Raising **support** for the work being done by KIMA and ORLC





At their recent National Assembly (Synodical Convention) in Mexico City (CDMX) they reelected the Rev. Isaac Guadalupe Garcia Castillo as President, the Rev. Samuel Peréz



Gaona as Vice President, Señor Omar Garza Martinez as Treasurer, and Señor Roberto Serrano as Secretary.

The Rev. Samuel Pérez Herrera is now the coordinator of the Department of Theological Education of the Synod.

Wow! A time to celebrate! Two more ordained pastors in the Lutheran Synod of Mexico!

Vicar Benjamín Quezada Guzman was ordained on October 29, 2017 during the Reformation service at El Buen Pastor Lutheran Church in Mexico City and is the new pastor at San Pedro Lutheran Church there in Mexico City.



Benjamin Quezada, President Rev. Isaac Garcia, and LCMS Missionary Rev. Andrew Schlund who serves as pastor at El Buen Pastor



Señor Omar Garza

Lay-pastor, Señor Omar Garza Martinez, will be ordained at La Santisima Trinidad Lutheran Church in Matamoros on Pentecost, May 20, 2018, of this coming year. Omar is an executive in a large manufacturing plant in Matamoros and has been studying for the ministry over the last several years. While fulfilling his duties as an executive he also has served as vacancy pastor at Santisima Trinidad and as Treasurer of the Lutheran Synod of Mexico. He is also bilingual and has served us many times as interpreter in meetings and for a number of sermons I have preached at dedications and even one wedding. Set this date aside. Matamoros is just across the border from Brownsville.

“Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ,...Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace, [as though] seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.” (Colossians 4:2-6)

Devote yourself

be watchful

be thankful

pray that God opens doors so the message of Christ may be proclaimed

get off the bench and into the game



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