



# Sinodo del Norte de TX Norte de Luisiana

## Iglesia Evangelica Luterana en America

## Northern Texas - Northern Louisiana Synod

### Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands. - El trabajo de Dios. Nuestras manos.

## 2021 Annual Report

Synodical Administrative Team: Iglesia Luterana Santa Maria de Guadalupe, Irving TX

We give thanks to God for the work, dedication, support and perseverance from our Bishop Gronberg, Pastor Moises Carrasquillo, leaders of Santa Maria de Guadalupe Lutheran Church and to the Synodal Administrative Team. We are grateful to First Sagrada Familia Lutheran Church for sharing Pastor Carrasquillo with Santa Maria de Guadalupe serving part-time in each church. We have been faithful to God's work and we are united as one church!

The year 2021 was a year of many changes, building trust and connecting with new people within the community at Santa Maria de Guadalupe and in the Irving neighborhood. We achieved goals and faced challenges. God's Grace we are starting a new year.

+ On January 3, 2021. Pastor Moises Carrasquillo was assigned by Bishop Gronberg as Interim Pastor. Pastor Moisés Carrasquillo formally began serving two congregations. First Sagrada Familia Lutheran Church, Garland TX and Santa Maria de Guadalupe Lutheran Church, Irving TX.

### **Congregational Administration:**

+ Contracts of commitment and responsibilities were made for the people who perform a work that is compensated.

+ The membership list was updated. The two-membership data of Santa Maria McArthur and Santa Maria in Exile O'Connor were joined.

(on Nov 21, 2021 some members of S.M.in.Exile joined Holy Trinity/Santisima Trinidad)

+ On November 3 Pastor Moses received the red book. We reviewed the files in the red book.

(Celebrations and sacraments) which is at the facility in Santa Maria de Guadalupe.

+ On November 17 Pastor Moses received files from Santa Maria in Exile: property deeds, legal documents, membership list, copies of certificates of celebrations. These files were delivered to Pastor Irma Banales representative of the Synodical Administrative Team which are at Bishop Gronberg's office.

+ Inventory of items within the property was made.

### **Financial Management:**

+ Signatures at the Bank were updated. A person from the Synodical Administrative Team and a member from Santa Maria de Guadalupe are authorized to sign checks.

+ Deposits to the bank are made weekly.

+ The people who count the offerings are trained and each week they are different counters.

+ Financial report is presented monthly (Expenses and Income) to the synodical administrative team.

+ We are up to date with the interest on the church loans mortgage. MIF

## **Stewardship and Fundraising:**

- + Groups were formed for weekly food sales.
- + There were 5 fundraising events.
- + Workshop "Money Matters"

## **Ecclesiastical Administration: Pastor Carrasquillo and Leaders**

- + Sunday Services
- + Celebrations: Saturdays and other days of the week
- + Traditional and seasonal celebrations
- + Baptismal and Assistant Minister Classes
- + Catechism: First Communion and Confirmation classes
- + Regular Affirmation of the Lutheran Identity- ELCA

## **Leadership Participation:**

- + Pastor Moisés and Mónica's wedding
- + Latino Conference:  
monthly meetings, women's retreat, Professional Ethics Workshop, and Thanksgiving Celebration.
- + Dallas Convention Center with Young Men Immigrants
- + Synod Event at Briarwood Retreat Center
- + Graduation Ceremony for Parish Lay Ministers and  
1st Graduation Secondary School of Theological.

Blessings/Bendiciones +

### *Synodical Administrative Team-Equipo Administrativo Sinodal:*

Pastora Irma Banales—NTNL= Director for Evangelical Mission

Pastor Ruben Duran-----ELCA Director for Congregational Vitality

Pastor Jesus Escamilla----- Dean NTNL Conferencia Latina & San Gabriel Lutheran Church, Alvarado

PLM Maria Torres----- Emanuel Lutheran Church, Dallas

PLM Luis Reyes----- Santa Maria en Exilio/Santísima Trinidad, Irving

Haedy García ----- Santa Maria en Exilio/Santísima Trinidad, Irving

### New members- Nuevos Miembros:

Tulio Bustillo -----Iglesia Luterana Santa Maria de Guadalupe, Irving TX

Martin Trejo-----Iglesia Luterana Santa Maria de Guadalupe, Irving TX