



**Report to the Northern Texas – Northern Louisiana  
Synod Assembly April 29-30, 2022  
Director for Evangelical Mission Rev. Irma Bañales**

The Directors for Evangelical Mission are committed to the ELCA and to God to help the church to engage new, young and diverse people and disciple them into the Christian faith.

**NTNL Congregational Vitality: Renewal and New Starts:**

**2 Shared Ministry: Rev Moises Carrasquillo**

- + First Sagrada Familia Lutheran Church, Garland TX
- \* Iglesia Luterana Santa Maria de Guadalupe, Irving TX  
(under Synodical Administration: see Attached 2021 annual report)

**3 Shared Ministry: Rev Nicholas Chove; Mission Developer & Redeveloper**

- + Community of Hope Lutheran Church, Ft Worth
- + King of Glory Lutheran Church, Fort Worth.
- + (New Ministry) Umoja International Chapel, Ft Worth TX

**New Starts:**

- + New Ministry Adviento, Arlington TX. SAWL: Connie Ortega
- + Ecumenical New Start: kin-dom community, McKinney TX Rev. Pepa Paniagua  
Grace Presbyterian (PUSA), ELCA and United Methodist Church.
- + Church of the Damascus Road, Weather Fort TX. SAWL: Dan Lund

**ELCA Christian Community & Leadership**

- + February 2022: Approved a new Start: The Table, Frisco, TX. Rev Adam Stockton

**Visits & Consultations:**

- + Mision Luterana Adviento, Arlington TX
- + Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Granbury TX
- + First Sagrada Familia Lutheran Church Garland TX
- + Faith Lutheran Church, Ft Worth TX
- + Grace Lutheran Church, Abilene TX
- + Immanuel Lutheran Church, Killeen TX
- + Mount Olive Lutheran Church, Dallas TX
- + Santa Maria de Guadalupe Lutheran Church, Irving TX
- + Trinity Lutheran Church, Sherman TX
- + Walnut Hill Lutheran Church, Farmers Branch TX

## **Trainings & Events:**

- + Sep 3-4: Latina Women annual Retreat: 55 women from the 7 Latino churches.
- + Sep 13-15: NTNL Stewardship team: Conference Kaleidoscope Ohio.
- + Oct: New start/New ministries ELCA online training. New Mission Developer  
Rev Adam Stockton: The Table, Frisco.
- + Oct 9: Hybrid "The Generosity Project workshop" Community of Hope & Umoja International  
Thanks to NTNL Mission Endowment Fund for their financial support.
- + Oct 12: Mission Developers and Redevelopers gathering Briarwood Center.
- + Nov 1-3: Region 4- 6 Directors for Evangelical Gathering. Briarwood Center.
- + Nov 13: Spanish Boundaries Training Part 1. PLM's and Church Council members.  
Latinx Conference
- + Dec 7: Spirit and Leadership Retreat. First Sagrada Familia, Garland TX
- + Jan-Feb 2022.ELCA Congregational Vitality Training: for Renewal Churches  
4 NTNL Congregations and the NTNL Renewal team is participating.
- + Feb 1: Region 4 Latino Leaders and six DEM's zoom Gathering.
- + Feb. 12: Spanish Boundaries Training Part 2. PLM's and Church Council members.  
Latinx Conference

## **Leadership Formation:**

- + NTNL Mission Developers and Redevelopers monthly meetings.
- + Teaching Spanish Parish Lay Ministry Academy 6 students
- + Secondary School of Theological Education Spanish.  
Coordinating the evaluation of the program. Jan 5-9, 2022.

## **Partnership ELCA and Ecumenical:**

- + Holy Innovation Team
- + ELCA Latino Strategy Team
- + ELCA: Weekly Director for Evangelical Mission Gathering
- + SOLI Board: Stewardship of Life Institute.
- + ELCA Mission Support Strategy Team
- + ELCA Level 2 Coaching training; mission developers, Stewardship and Grief & End of Life.
- + ELCA Candidacy Task Force
- + Dallas Fort Worth Ecumenical Group  
Catholic, Episcopal, United Methodist, Presbyterian, and Lutheran.

Blessings, Thank you/ Bendiciones, Gracias

In Mission Together/Juntos en Mision!  
Rev. Irma Banales