

Director for Evangelical Mission (DEM)
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This report includes former DEM, Rev. Dr. Marjorie Funk-Pihl's, report from June-August 2021. There was not an official DEM from September 2021-October 31, 2021. I began as DEM on November 1, 2021. Therefore, my administration began with Mission Development Reviews spearheaded by Pastor Toni Joseph and EOMT. Attached to this report is the most current EOMT report submitted to the Synod Council on November 20, 2021. I conclude the report with some specific assignments related to my role as Assistant to the Bishop.

From Rev. Dr. Marjorie Funk-Pihl: Peace/Paz Lompoc finished their neighborhood study and I started the application for them to become a parallel development. I also got a Strategic Ministry grant for St John's, Gardena. We tried to move Another Level to Gardena with Pr. Maurice - but that fell through. We did move Redimidos to Our Saviour's in Oxnard.

Glory Lutheran Church (Chinese) became a recognized congregation of the ELCA...we all worked very hard to see this happen! They had to translate the constitution into Mandarin and walk the congregation through it - to vote on all the "this or that" clauses. There are 10 votes that have to be taken to become a congregation - and we did it!

EOMT: Please see attachment dated November 20, 2021.

From Rev. Chryll D. Crews: A Review Table was held to determine if the Church Wide Office (CWO) would accept EOMT's grant recommendations. All requests were granted except the following: ADORE LA's request was \$26,000 but they received \$24,000. Fruit of The Spirit received \$18,000, not the \$20,000 requested. Fruit of The Spirit, however, was able to find funding from partner donors to make up for the difference plus a little extra. Documentation and recommendations are based on EOMT's recommendations, the Annual Reviews held in November 2021, and the OEM's recommendations.

I also conducted and submitted Mission Developer Reviews to the CWO. I also was responsible for the distribution of the grants by submitting the Authorization for Payment Forms for all SAWCs and our Strategic Ministries. Another

prerequisite that must be completed before grants are distributed is the SAWC and Strategic Ministry Covenants. These covenants must be signed by the Mission Developer and a lay officer of the ministry. I oversaw these requirements and submitted all forms to the CWO.

I worked with Pastora Jade Ortiz in completing her paperwork making the Synod her new Fiscal Agent.

I have visited the following churches, with the hope of getting to the rest of my SAWCs and Strategic Ministries by the end of the year:

- Central Lutheran Church (food distribution and preached there recently)
- Pueblo De Dios
- Paz Lutheran. Lompoc, CA
- Another Level
- Adore LA
- Scheduled for Iglesia Santa Cruz next Friday, the 13th
- Fe Y Esperanza

ADLA: I am a member and I have visited and preached at the following churches:

- Trinity Lutheran Church
- Olivet Lutheran Church
- Ascension Lutheran Church (scheduled for Mother's Day)
- Lutheran Church in the Foothills

Other preaching:

- New Hope Lutheran Church, Agoura Hills
- Salem Lutheran Church, Glendale (scheduled for May 15, 2022)
- St. Luke Lutheran Church, Woodland Hills (4x000000000) Current projects:
- Preparing Paz Lompoc for a Review Table scheduled for May 24 to begin a SAWC Latinx Ministry with a Mission Developer.
- Working on Accompanying Migrant Minors with Protection, Advocacy, Representation and Opportunities (AMMPARO) grant

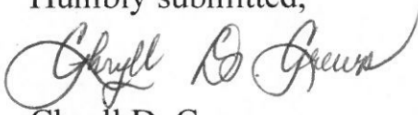
I worked with Bishop Boss on interviews and mediation with Emmanuel North Hollywood, which resulted in the resignation of Pastor Jeffrey Kallevig. I also

worked with Rev. Caleb Crainer with Village Lutheran, Brentwood in visioning and strategic planning for their future. I accompanied Bishop Bos to the meeting with LIFEhouse Lutheran Church in the discussion of terminating their relationship with the ELCA.

I continue to support Bishop Bos with any advisement she seeks and I look forward to our weekly individual meetings and our pastoral staff meetings , where we discuss the future of all our congregations. It's been six months and my responsibilities are varied enough to keep me busy and engaged.

I'm grateful and thankful for the warm welcome and support I've received from the synod and my new colleagues.

Humbly submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Chryll D. Crews".

Chryll D. Crews

Assistant to the Bishop

Southwest California Synod Granting Recommendations Evangelism, Outreach, and Mission Team (EOMT) Synod Council Meeting - November 20, 2021

The leaders of the EOMT have had another successful year of supporting New Starts, Parallel Developments, Strategic Ministry, Synod Vitality Strategies, Specialized Ministry, and innovative emerging ministry of the synod. Great thanks and appreciation are owed to Valerie Shaw, Pastor Maria Paiva, Pastor Marsha Harris and Synod Council members Zekiah Wright, Todd Kolberg, Nolan Green, and Laura Salazar, as well as Executive Staff members Rev. Chryll Crews and Rev. Joseph Toni Castaneda Carrera.

This report includes:

- ⇒ Background and information related to EOMT grant recommendations to Synod Council,
- ⇒ FY 2022 FLAFF grant recommendation for New Starts, Parallel Developments, and Specialized Ministry, and
- ⇒ FY 2022 grant recommendations for Strategic Ministries.

Background and Information

- The leaders of EOMT conducted annual reviews of three New Start Synod-Authorized Worshipping Communities (SAWCs), four Parallel Development SAWCs, and four Strategic Ministries. All reviewed grantees were assessed as positive investments and recommended for continued funding.
- The EOMT anticipates expending \$82,000 from FLAFF based upon expectation of investment performance over the last year.
- The Strategic Ministries Grant recommendations are to execute with proceeds from the sale of the North Hollywood Property, using the one-time formula recorded in synod minutes SC21 .04.04.
- EOMT leaders recommend funding for a new Latinx Ministry Parallel Development SAWC to partner with Peace Lutheran in Lompoc as a legacy congregation.

2022 FLAFF Grant Recommendations

- EOMT recommend granting \$82,000 to New Start SAWCs and Parallel Development SAWCs for 2022.
- EOMT also recommends a request of \$141,000 matching funds from the Churchwide Organization.

The FLAFF grant recommendations are detailed in the following chart:

	FLAFF Grants			CWO Grants		
	2020	2021	2022 Requests	2020	2021	2022 Requests
New Starts						
Another Level	10,000	12,000	12,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Glory	1,500	5,000	3,000	12,000	10,000	10,000
Iglesia Santa Cruz	8,000	20,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000
SAWC/Parallel						
Fruit of the Spirit	10,000	12,000	12,000	22,000	20,000	20,000
Adore LA	10,000	12,000	12,000	26,000	26,000	26,000
Redimidos	2,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Trinity Faith		8,000	8,000		12,000	12,000
Lompoc Latinx Ministry			12,000			30,000
Specialized						
Sharing Hands	1,000	1,000	1,000		7,000	1,000
Totals	80,000	80,000	82,000	102,000	145,000	141,000

2022 Strategic Ministry Grant Recommendations
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- EOMT recommends granting \$58,000 to Strategic Ministries for 2022.
- EOMT also recommends a request of \$78,000 matching funds from the Churchwide Organization
- The Strategic Ministries grant recommendations are detailed in the following chart:

	NoHo Sale Funds		CWO Grants	
Strategic Ministry				
	2021	2022 Request	2,021	2022 Request
Central Lutheran	8000	8000	10,000	10,000
Fe Y Esperanza	16,000	16,000	20,000	20,000
Pueblo De Dios	16,000	16,000	20,000	20,000
St. John's	5,000	10,000	10,000	20,000
Iglesia Santa Cruz		8,000		8,000
Totals	45000	58000	60,000	78,000