What Lutherans Believe

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LC-MS Texas District Convention 2025

Convention workbook: https://txlcms.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/FINAL-2025-Convention-Workbook-REV.-06.01.25.pdf

Reports:

- Roster Changes (Ordained Ministers, Congregations, Commissioned Workers)
- Milestones/Ministry Anniversaries
- Others: District Board of Directors, Constitution Committee, District Treasurer, Board of Mission Administration, External Relations Department, Disaster Relief, Texas Church Extension Fund et al

Elections:

- Circuit Visitors
- President, Vice Presidents
- District Secretary
- District Board of Directors

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Resolutions and Overtures:

- A resolution (simple, concurrent, joint, etc.) is a formal written expression of overtures, or recommendations stemming from committee study results, etc. A resolution is not a "law", but may be expressed and formalized via amendments to policies, by-laws, or even a district's charter or constitution. Resolutions adopted at the district level are often elevated to the national triennial convention for synod-wide consideration.
- An overture is a proposal put forward for consideration, sometimes related to a proposed resolution. Overtures can be made by individuals or groups/committees. The aim of proposing an overture is introduce and refine ideas through discussion and debate before potentially being presented to a decision-making body for adoption. Often overtures result in, or are related to, a particular resolution.

- Resolution 01-01-25: TO CELEBRATE AND CONTINUE THE TRAINING AND WORK OF EVANGELISTS IN6 THE TEXAS DISTRICT
- Resolution 01-05-25: TO ENCOURAGE THE RAISING UP OF PUBLIC SERVANTS
- Resolution 02-01-25: To Encourage Congregations, Schools, and Ministries of the Texas District to Utilize Sabbaticals for Worker Care and Ministry Health
- Resolution 02-02-25: To Address the Interference of Those Who, without a Proper Call, Impose Themselves into the Internal Affairs of a Congregation
 - Overture 02-02-25: To Reaffirm Kirche und Amt as Official Doctrine of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and Rebuke Pastors (active and emeritus) who Interfere with the Internal Affairs of a Congregation without a Proper Call
- Overture 02-10-2522: To use only Synod approved hymnals and hymns for worship and devotional services at Texas District sponsored events
- Resolution 02-03-25 27: Define and Affirm Lutheran Identity (multiple overtures)
- Resolution 02-04-25: To Clarify and Update Language in the Governing Documents of the Texas District
- Overture 01-01-25: TO ENCOURAGE THE PLANTING OF HISPANIC CHURCHES
- Overture 01-02-25: TO ENCOURAGE RECRUITMENT OF LUTHERAN TEACHERS
- Overture 01-04-25: TO ENCOURAGE FORMATION OF LOCAL PUBLIC AFTERSHOOL KIDS CLUBS
- Overture 02-01-25: To Address the Abuses of the Sabbatical
- Overture 02-11-25: To Request a Study on the Recreational Use of Marijuana by Clergy, Called Workers, and Laity
- Overture 02-12-25: To Improve Relationships through Visitations
- Overture 02-13-25: To the CTCR, Require Recusal for CTCR Members Discussing Their Own Theological Issues
- Overture 02-14-25: To Request a Theologically Informed Opinion on Self-Defense from the CTCR