



MERCY CENTER



- *Reaches leaders and laity in LCMS missions and partner churches region-wide*
- *Growing repertoire of conference topics thanks to RSO partnerships*
- *Empowers trainees to become trainers*

Luke 6:36 entreats, "Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful." It's part of LAC's trifacta: Spreading the Gospel, Planting Lutheran Churches, and Showing Mercy. The Mercy Center, an institute of Concordia the Reformer Seminary and Mercy Center (CMSCR) in Palmar Arriba, Dominican Republic, leads the charge.

Like CMSCR, the Mercy Center transcends borders. Since 2017, it has been equipping leaders and laity in LCMS missions and partner churches to be the hands, feet, and voice of the Church through the unique contexts of their local congregations. Each May, the Mercy Center aims to partner with

an LCMS Recognized Service Organization in debuting a new course that will join standbys like evangelism, reconciliation, life issues, and disaster response, with the Mercy Center facilitating the translation of printed course materials. Special requests, such as first aid or AED usage, round out the Mercy Center arsenal.

With each workshop held, more people learn who the Church is and what she does. Moreover, trainees become trainers: subject matter experts eager to impart knowledge and resources that propel their church bodies ever closer to self-sustainability.

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