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- **Promotes wholehearted dedication to seminary studies and fieldwork**
- **Alleviates the economic pressures of residential student life**
- **Makes seminary education attainable**

Concordia the Reformer Seminary and Mercy Center (CMSCR) in the Dominican Republic, opened its doors in 2017, paving the way for an influx of new Lutheran pastors for Latin America. The institution, noted for its rigorous coursework and practical, church-planting emphasis, draws students from countries across Latin America.

These future pastors have left homes, families and livelihoods behind for the sake of the holy ministry. As a result, the average student arrives at the seminary with few personal belongings and meager financial resources. Moreover, as foreign nationals, options for employment do not exist.

Seminary scholarships provide for their theological education, housing, health care and other essential expenses. The scholarship award varies depending on the situation—married students receive more to allow for accompanying wife and children. The desire is for the men to dedicate themselves fully to their theological education during their time at the seminary. In addition to their theological training, they study English, the language of theology and music, to assist their future congregation during worship.

Seminarians give back to the Church through assigned fieldwork: preaching, teaching, assisting with services, making home visits, and youth activities in Lutheran missions. Seminary Scholarships are an enormous relief for these future pastors.

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