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Dear Convention Delegates and Guests,

Welcome to the 58th Regular Convention of the Texas District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod!

"Reaching, Receiving, Refreshing" is this convention's theme based on Philemon 6 & 7. It is part of St. Paul's prayer for the faith of Philemon, and for all believers, to be more active and effectual in understanding every good thing we have in Christ, thereby leading to faithful living. Refreshing is also part of St. Paul's prayer as we encourage and care for one another. May God's Name be honored throughout our convention time together.

Please be aware of a couple of things that will be different with this convention.

Today's common use of technology introduces some changes for convention delegates.

- The workbook is available to download from the District website: <http://www.txdistlcms.org>
- Only one printed copy of the convention workbook is being mailed to member congregations.
- **Convention Sunday Worship Resources** for congregations are included in this packet and are also downloadable from our website.
- Laptop computers will be allowed on the convention floor during business sessions, but please note that neither power sources, nor internet capability will be available on the convention floor.
- Finally, out of respect for other delegates, cell phones may not be used on the convention floor.

There are fewer resolutions than in previous conventions. President Kieschnick will be attending our convention on Friday to give the Synodical Report and respond to questions. In addition to worship and prayer time, essayist, Rev. Dr. Robert Newton and Bible Study leader, Rev. Steven Wagner, will lead us in study of God's Word. On Saturday afternoon everyone will be given an opportunity to respond to the report of the Blue Ribbon Task Force for Synodical Structure and Governance. The Task Force considers these responses to be very important in accomplishing their task.

The Texas District is located in a part of the United States that continues to see sizable growth in population. Decisions of this convention will support and guide ministry throughout the District. It is my prayer that God's will be done and His Name glorified by your attendance and participation. Looking forward to receiving you at the convention!

Your Partner in Mission

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