

# The LINC News

### **HAVEN FOR HOPE:**

SIMPLE, EASY OUTREACH



Haven for Hope houses over 800 homeless individuals with hundreds more coming through for meals and social services. Yet not a single Lutheran group was doing any regular ministry there - until now. LINC San Antonio has begun a monthly evening service at the Haven, and we'd love for you to help us expand this project so it can

become a weekly event. It's simple, easy, and rewarding. Call Ely at 210/365-9217 or email elyp@lincsa.org.



# \$50,000 Matching Grant Available!

Looking for a great ministry to support during the holiday season? LINC San Antonio has launched over 14 brand new ministries this year and is helping Lutheran congregations reach people in diverse areas all over San Antonio.

LINC wants to be able to continue and expand this ministry, but to do that, we have to raise the funds. Right now there is a matching grant opportunity on the table. If LINC San Antonio can raise \$50,000 by the end of the year, we will receive another \$50,000, and ALL of that money will go toward the expansion of ministries designed specifically to reach the diverse urban population of San Antonio, Texas.

A gift of ANY amount will help. Simply mail a check to 5323 Blanco Road, 78216, or donate via PayPal online at <a href="https://www.lincsa.org">www.lincsa.org</a>. Thank you for your support & prayers.

#### **VBS "REUNION" AT CHRIST OUR SAVIOR - A WONDERFUL & EASY SUCCESS!**

On November 29th, 60 children and over 50 adults packed the church at a VBS reunion event hosted by Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, in partnership with LINC San Antonio. Fifteen members of Christ Our Savior gathered to provide dinner, treats, activities, songs, and fellowship to their neighbors inside Loop 410. Events such as



this one help Christians develop relationships with their neighbors - relationships that lead to spiritual conversations that lead to saved souls. Does your church do a VBS? Have you considered doing reunions throughout the year? LINC would love to help you coordinate some!



## LINC WANTS **TO EQUIP** YOU!



#### **Hispanic Outreach Training**

Sundays this fall have been LINC's night for Hispanic outreach training courses. The classes have been well attended via Skype, with participants logging in from all over the country. The course wraps up in a few weeks, but another one is sure to take its place before long. If you have an interest in Hispanic outreach, give LINC a call. 210/701-6607.

#### **Theological Training Classes**

Pastor Elv Prieto has been leading various theological training classes throughout the past year. If you would like to join one of these groups, or if you have a topic that you would like to study, contact Pastor Prieto today. LINC wants to help you grow in your faith, to be ready to defend it, and most importantly - to be ready to SHARE it!

#### LINC 5:11 College **Ministry**

The college meet-up group met for dinner on Nov. 29 and heard Pastor Carlos Boerger talk about an upcoming mission trip for college students, set for this coming March. Our next meet up will be in January - an "equipping retreat" with ULC Austin.

#### **Teen Witness Training**

LINC has developed a 1-hour program for helping teens feel better equipped to share their faith in a personal way. Contact LINC today if you'd like to schedule a teen training for a Sunday school hour, a lock-in, or a youth event.

#### **Coming Up: Three FREE** Seminars!

LINC is excited to announce a three-part lecture series that will take place in Feb., Mar., and Apr. of 2013. All events will be free, but reservations for space will be required. Contact LINC at info@lincsa.org or 210/701-6607 for more information or to RSVP.

#### **Portuguese Bible Study**

LINC's Portuguese Bible study meets once a month at Crown of Life Lutheran Church. The Dec. meeting is a Christmas party with CABRASA. If you speak Portuguese (or are learning and want some practice), come join our group. Contact Ely for more info: elyp@lincsa.org, 210/365-9217.

#### Calendar

Dec. 7 & 14 - 7-8 p.m.

Life Tree Cafe, at the Ecumenical Ctr.

Dec. 8 - 6-9 p.m.

Portuguese Fellowship Christmas Party (CABRASA)

Dec. 9 - Bible Study Hour

LINC Sunday at Mt. Calvary

Dec. 20 - 6-8 p.m.

Dinner & worship at Haven for Hope

Dec. 22 - time TBD

LINC Mercy Day Servant Event

January 16 - 6 p.m. (tentative)

Next Portuguese Bible study

#### VISITS

#### **CHRIST OUR SAVIOR**



On Sunday, November 11, LINC presented its

ministry to the people of Christ Our Savior Lutheran.



#### KING OF KINGS

On Sunday, November 25, LINC had a chance to give

King of Kings an update on how LINC has grown since they saw us last.

#### SHEPHERD'S **BOARD OF ELDERS**

On November 6,

LINC had the honor of sharing LINC updates with the pastor, elders, and deaconesses of Shepherd of the Hills.