

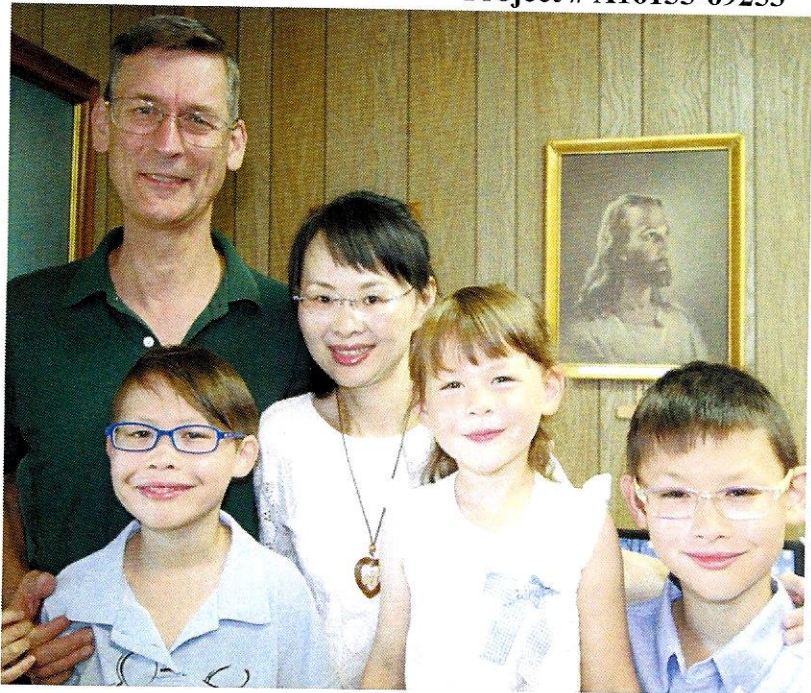
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**Dr. Stephen, Maggie, little Gary, Isaac, and Virginia Oliver**

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Dr Stephen Oliver has served as a parish pastor and a Navy Chaplain prior to his return to the seminary in 1996. He was a Navy Chaplain for four years, and graduated from Concordia University at Portland in 1982, then the St. Louis Seminary in 1986. He was then called to Iowa District West and served at Carlisle Iowa Holy Cross Lutheran Church from 1987 to 1991. Then he served as the Navy Chaplain until 1996, when he completed his

Ph.D. in Biblical Studies. His call is to be missionary professor at the China Lutheran Seminary in Hsinchu in northern Taiwan. He will be training pastors, evangelists and missionaries for service in the Chinese world. Stephen's main prayer request is to learn the Bible and Mandarin Chinese well with a heart that is pleasing to the Lord. He prays that God will give him His love for the Chinese.

The Olivers have two sons Isaac, birthday May 13th, and little Gary, birthday June 14, and one daughter, Virginia, whose birthday is July 27th.

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# Rev. Stephen and Maggie Oliver, Serving the Lord in Taiwan and the Asia Region

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## Bio

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Rev. Stephen and Maggie Oliver and their children

Rev. Stephen and Maggie Oliver serve the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) as career missionaries in the Asia region, where Stephen teaches the New Testament at China Lutheran Seminary in Hsinchu, Taiwan.

Born in Memphis, Tenn., Stephen grew up in Japan and in the southern and western parts of the United States. He graduated from Concordia University, Portland, Ore., and from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Mo. Stephen then served as pastor of Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Carlisle, Iowa. He enjoys traveling, history and camping.

Maggie and Stephen met in Taiwan. Maggie earned a master's degree in counseling from China Lutheran Seminary in 2006. Stephen and Maggie have three beautiful children - Isaac, Gary and Virginia.

## Prayers

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“My main prayer request,” Stephen writes, “is that I would learn the Bible and Chinese well with a heart that is pleasing to the Lord (1 Cor. 13:1). I pray that God will give me His love for Chinese people so that through this ministry, the Spirit will work fruitfully in many people’s lives.” Let us give thanks that the Oliver family is serving God’s children in this part of the world.



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## Special Dates

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### **Birthdays:**

- Stephen - July 17
- Maggie - Aug. 27
- Isaac - May 13
- Gary - June 14
- Virginia - July 27

### **Wedding Anniversary:**

- Sept. 2

### **Home District:**

- Iowa West