Jamielynn (Tinkey) Flores, B.S.N., R.N., has served the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) as a missionary in the Latin America and Caribbean region since July 2016. In August 2020, Jamielynn married Rafael Flores, who is a seminary student at Concordia the Reformer Seminary, and they now serve together in the Dominican Republic. In her role as regional life coordinator, Jamielynn uses her nursing background and skills to promote health initiatives alongside church plants in the Dominican Republic and throughout the region. She provides resources that meet the needs of both partner churches and mission plants as they approach topics of life and death, family and relationships. She also cares for the missionaries and their families serving in the region and advocates for their physical, spiritual and emotional health.

Jamielynn was born and raised in Warsaw, Ind., and her home congregation is St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Bremen, Ind. She received her bachelor’s degree in nursing (B.S.N.) from Valparaiso University and has worked in long-term care, hospice care and camp ministry for adults with disabilities alongside Bethesda Lutheran Communities. Rafael was born and raised in Venezuela in a family that was brought into the Lutheran church by past LCMS missionaries. In 2016, he left Venezuela to live in Chile, where he found the Confessional Lutheran Church of Chile. After hiring him to help in the Lutheran outreach community center and at the Lutheran school there, the pastor learned of Rafael’s previous studies at the Venezuelan Bible institute, Juan de Frias. A short time later, the Confessional Lutheran Church of Chile sponsored Rafael to complete his studies in the new Lutheran seminary in the Dominican Republic, where he met Jamielynn. Rafael is beginning his third year of studies and looks forward to his vicarage in 2021.

Pray for Rafael and Jamielynn as they serve the churches and people around the Latin America and Caribbean region, especially in the Dominican Republic. Pray for their daily witness to Jesus Christ in both word and deed. Pray for their safety in their travels and daily activities. Pray for Rafael in his studies so that he may have the strength and endurance to finish in order to continue serving the church someday as pastor, according to God’s will. Give thanks for the clear Gospel that is being preached across the region and the opportunities Rafael and Jamielynn have to continue serving God’s church in this way.

• **BIRTHDAYS:** Jamielynn – May 19, Rafael – March 9
• **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:** Aug. 22
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