



## LUKE BEILKE

Missionary Beilke serves as Dean of Students for Academia Cristo, an online academy that teaches God's Word to adult students throughout Latin America. As the students learn more about God's Word, they are encouraged to start their own Bible studies and share God's Word with family and friends. Missionary Beilke teaches Bible classes online, mentors leaders throughout Latin America and encourages them as they start their own Bible study groups, and takes care of the Academia Cristo student body by building connections with the students and making sure students have mentors and are progressing through classes.

Missionary Luke Beilke has been married to Rachel (Steinbrenner) for 12 years. They have two children, Mabel and Otis. The Beilke family arrived in Quito, Ecuador, after serving in various locations over the last 11 years. They spent their first year of marriage teaching English at a WELS-affiliated school in Bogotá, Colombia. He was then assigned to teach at St. Marcus in Milwaukee, Wis., and served there for 3 ½ years. While there, Rachel subbed at Luther Preparatory School, served as a teacher's assistant at Risen Savior, and then was the English as a Second Language (ESL) Director at Christ-St. Peter. From Milwaukee, Missionary Beilke took a call to be principal and teacher at Ascension in Sarasota, Fla., and were blessed to spend seven years serving there. Rachel served in various capacities at Ascension over the years including teacher, school music coordinator, and in church music.