

LUTHER HOUSE NEWS

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Meet The Residents Of Luther House

A new academic year means a new host of changes, especially in the time of a pandemic. We have some new housemates at Luther House and we are happy to welcome back familiar ones as well!

- **Xavier Barraza** is a CNM student who also works for Together For Brothers, a non-profit that builds the capacity of young men of color in Albuquerque. Xavier is also one of our Luther House interns who makes this ministry possible. Xavier likes exploring the topic of “de-growth,” riding his bike, and cooking tasty vegan food.
- **Rado Josoa** is from Madagascar and grew up here in Albuquerque. He is a junior who is studying Computer Science. Rado likes playing video games, watching and playing soccer, and hanging out with his friends. He is also our student group’s president!
- **Rindra Josoa** is also a Burqueño via Madagascar and brother to Rado. He is a sophomore who is majoring in International Studies. Rindra likes playing video games, relaxing with friends, and is an excellent cook, especially of samosas which he sometimes cooks for our community!
- **Vinny Brown** is a sophomore from Orange County, California. He found his way to Luther House thanks to word of mouth from his friends Rado and Rindra. He is currently undecided on a major and we are excited to have him join our community.
- **Luis De Vargas** is a senior studying Music Education and String Pedagogy with a concentration in Viola. He grew up in Albuquerque, and has a passion for the environment and conservation. He started coming to Luther House two years ago. Luis also hones his skills teaching music lessons for kids in Albuquerque Public Schools.
- **Jorge Canales Verdial** is a graduate student in Electrical Engineering working towards his Ph.D. with a focus in microelectronics. His hometown is San Pedro Sula, Honduras. He holds both Honduran and Spanish citizenships thanks to his family’s Iberoamerican heritage. Jorge grew up in an Anglican tradition and loves learning about Lutheran theology.

These young adults are a community made up of more than roommates, not quite all in the same place spiritually or educationally, but striving to make a common identity within the walls of Luther House. Please pray for these young men, everyone in our extended community, and all those involved in campus ministry, as we start likely the strangest semester ever.

Pastor Bre Roberts



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