



## Lesson 5

# Opportunities in a Changing World (1933–1963)

### During the Lesson

1. In what ways did World War II affect the Wisconsin Synod?
2. Where did the Wisconsin Synod focus its mission efforts in the postwar era?
3. What were the main tension points leading to the break with the Missouri Synod?



4. What were major developments in the aftermath of the break with Missouri?

## **Following the Lesson**

1. How can the lessons from the postwar mission expansion of WELS inspire modern efforts to reach underserved or unreached areas worldwide?
2. What lessons can WELS learn from its decision to prioritize doctrine over unity when engaging with other Christian denominations today?
3. How can WELS schools and congregations today balance their rich heritage with the need to appeal to future generations?