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"They will do even greater things"

John 14:12 (GW)



2017

Annual District Mission Report

Northern Illinois District
of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod



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Cover Photo

Back-to-School Block Party at Tabor, Chicago, among new ways to draw neighbors.



Doing 'greater things'?

"They will do even greater things" was the Scripture verse for our annual New Starts...New Believers dinner this year where the encouragement was to make an impact. Greater things? What could be greater than the all-sufficient work of Christ on the cross and his subsequent resurrection that opened the gates of heaven for all who will believe? Nothing, of course. But in these words, Jesus was describing what his disciples would do—and those that would come after. You and me included. The church planting, the mercy ministries, the teaching and telling of the Good News, the discipling of others into strong Christ-followers. All great things. All necessary things. All part of the Lord's mission and our mission until the day he calls us to eternity. As a district we focus on these things: new worship sites, new preschools, new relationships, new discipleship, new ways of being Jesus' hands and feet to our neighbors, new baptisms. We've seen it all in the past year, and your gifts to the Lord through your congregation, your district, and your Synod will ensure that, together, we as LCMS Lutherans in northern Illinois will continue to do the great things that God wills us to do. That will make an impact, indeed. Thank you for being part of it.

Rev. Dan Gilbert, District President



Enviando: Progress in expanding Hispanic missions

One of the great blessings to the whole district in the past year was the generosity of Faith, Lake Forest, and other congregational and individual donors to our "sending" movement (Enviando) to expand Hispanic mission work locally. Faith's gift opened San Pablo's Missionary School classes (in photo) to students online, not just in east Aurora. Additionally, two women from the west Aurora Hispanic outreach at St. Paul enrolled in the seminary Hispanic deaconess program and received tuition help from Enviando. Congregations in both Rockford and Crystal Lake have been exploring how to start new Hispanic outreach ministries. St. Paul Aurora's Pastor Angel Morales started a new Spanish-language worship site at Hope, Aurora, this winter. Donations to Enviando from across the district are helping send more people to share the news of God's grace-filled gift of salvation with our Hispanic neighbors. *Thank you!*

New ways to help congregations call pastors

A key service of the Northern Illinois District is to help congregations find their next pastor. The district has 210 congregations being served and at any one time upwards of 12 or more are calling, with each call involving 10 or more candidates and every vacancy possibly 2, 4 or more successive calls. By assignment of the district president, assistance for this is shouldered by NID Mission Facilitator Rev. Keith Haney (in photo at installation of Faith Lake Forest's new pastor). He can perform assessments to help congregations understand their current situation and plan for the right fit of pastor. He follows up with pastors from around the country to see where they align with the diversity of congregations that comprise the district. He applies training and discernment (adding to the guidance traditionally given by Circuit Visitors) so that congregations ask the right questions and keep their eyes on the right qualities as they prayerfully go through the steps to call their next shepherd. This strengthens congregations for their mission. Thank you for your part in making this service available.



Gatherings help members know their district

District President Rev. Dan Gilbert (in photo) looks on as church members listen to members of the district Board of Directors share what the district does and how it's funded. Open meetings were hosted at Immanuel Palatine, Hope Shorewood, Christ Our Savior Dixon, St John's Chicago and St Paul Matteson. Members from 45 congregations accepted the invitation. Presentations showed how the district walks with congregations. One way is in guarding our life and doctrine while caring for each other as members of the Synod. The district also walks with congregations focused on becoming missionaries in their communities. Additionally, a financial presentation examined congregation support and district expenses and the ongoing cuts necessitated by shortfalls in support.



NID could not be in mission without support from member congregations

In NID's Fiscal Year 2016 there were 173 member congregations (out of 211) that provided offerings to fund the Lord's work through the district and national Synod. Thank you to each of them and their individual members.

SACRIFICIAL STEWARDS are recognized for their level of giving (BOLD below). Each gave more than twice the district average and ranged from \$45.55 to \$144.44 per communicant specifically for combined unrestricted and NID budget designated contributions.

Thank You

Apostles, Melrose Park
Beautiful Savior, Antioch
 Bethany, Naperville
 Bethel, Gurnee
Bethel, Westmont
 Bethlehem, Evanston
 Bethlehem, River Grove
 Bethlehem, West Dundee
 Calvary, Elgin
 Calvary, Wood Dale
 Christ, Orland Park
Christ Our Savior, Dixon
 Christ Our Savior, Winfield
Christ the Rock, Rockford
Cross, Yorkville
 Divine Shepherd, Bolingbrook
Emmanuel, Aurora
 Faith, Carpentersville
 Faith, Geneva
 Faith, Oak Lawn
 Faith/North Shore, Lake Forest
 Family in Faith, Glendale Heights
Fellowship of Faith, McHenry
 First Bethlehem, Chicago
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 Good Shepherd, Elgin
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 Good Shepherd, Lake Villa
 Good Shepherd, Rock Falls
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 Immanuel, Elmhurst
 Immanuel, Freeport
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 Immanuel, Hinckley
 Immanuel, Hodgkins
Immanuel, Lindenwood
 Immanuel, Mokena
 Immanuel, Palatine
 Immanuel, Richton Park
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 Living Heritage, Plano
 Living Word, Orland Park
 Lord of Glory, Grayslake
 Lord of Life, LaFox
Lord of Life, Millbrook
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 Messiah, Sterling
 Mount Calvary, Calumet Park
 Mount Greenwood, Chicago
Mount Olive, Rockford
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 Our Redeemer, Prospect Heights
Our Savior, Carol Stream
 Our Savior, Joliet
Our Savior, Sterling
 Peace, Lombard
 Peace, Plainfield
 Prince of Peace, Crystal Lake
 Prince of Peace, Palatine
 Prince of Peace, Waukegan
Redeemer, Rockford
 Redeemer, Waukegan
 Resurrection, Chicago
 Resurrection, River Forest
Risen Savior, Byron
Risen Savior, Manteno



Thank you, Igniters!

Congregations giving \$50,000 or more to the district are key leaders in making district services possible. The decisions of our Igniters have an important impact on the level of missions we are able to undertake together as well. Contributions from Igniter congregations (combined unrestricted and NID budget designated) ranged from \$55,000 to \$89,645 in FY 2016. We thank their leadership and look to them* to help chart the future of the district.

- Cross, Yorkville (Rev. Erik Gauss)
- Immanuel, Batavia (Rev. Ron Weidler who retired in 2016 and new senior pastor Rev. Eric Kennaugh)
- Immanuel, Downers Grove (Rev. John Prohl who retired in 2016 and new senior pastor Rev. Chris James)
- Our Savior, Carol Stream (Rev. Andy Koschmann)
- St. Paul, Mount Prospect (Rev. Kris Whitby)
- St. Peter, Arlington Heights (Rev. Micah Greiner)
- Trinity, Lisle (Rev. Mark Schulz)

**There are other congregations close to this level of district giving. Please know that your support is much appreciated and very much needed. And, with God's blessing and as an answer to the district's prayers, perhaps by this time next year your congregation will become an Igniter as well.*

Saint Andrew, Rockton
 Saint Andrews, Park Ridge
 Saint John, Beecher
 Saint John, Burlington
 Saint John, Darien
Saint John, Forest Park
 Saint John, Island Lake
 Saint John, Mount Prospect
 Saint John, Northbrook
 Saint John, Pecatonica
 Saint John, Schaumburg
 Saint John, Sycamore
 Saint John, Wheaton
 Saint John's, Algonquin
 Saint John's, Chicago
 Saint John's, Country Club Hills
 Saint John's, Elgin
 Saint John's, La Grange
 Saint John's, Lena
 Saint John's, Lombard
 Saint John's, Union
 Saint John's, Woodstock

Saint Luke, Itasca
Saint Luke's, Montgomery
 Saint Mark's, Saint Charles
Saint Matthew, Barrington
 Saint Matthew, Chicago
 Saint Matthew, Hawthorn Woods
 Saint Matthew, Lemont
 Saint Michael, Chicago
 Saint Paul, Addison
 Saint Paul, Aurora
 Saint Paul, Beecher
 Saint Paul (Dorchester), Chicago
 Saint Paul, Elizabeth
 Saint Paul, Harvard
 Saint Paul, Matteson
 Saint Paul, Melrose Park
Saint Paul, Mount Prospect
 Saint Paul, Oak Lawn
 Saint Paul, Rochelle
 Saint Paul, Rockford
Saint Paul, Skokie
 Saint Paul, Thornton

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Saint Paul's, Bourbonnais
 Saint Paul's, Chicago Heights
 Saint Peter, Arlington Heights
 Saint Peter, Chicago
 Saint Peter, Dundee
 Saint Peter, Joliet
 Saint Peter, Morrison
 Saint Peter, Schaumburg
 Saint Peter's (North Plato),
 Hampshire
 Saint Philip (Bryn Mawr),
 Chicago
 Salem, Blue Island
 Salem, Homewood
 San Pablo, Aurora
 Sanctuary, Manhattan
 Trinity, Burr Ridge
 Trinity, Dwight
 Trinity, Genoa
 Trinity, Hampshire
Trinity, Herscher
 Trinity, Huntley
 Trinity, Lansing
 Trinity, Lisle
 Trinity, Lombard
 Trinity, Roselle
 Trinity, Tinley Park
 Trinity, West Chicago
 Word of Life, Naperville
 Zion, Beecher
 Zion, Bensenville
Zion, Bonfield
 Zion, Chebanse
 Zion, Grant Park
 Zion, Hinsdale
 Zion, Lyons
 Zion, Marengo
 Zion, Matteson
 Zion, McHenry
Zion, Naperville
 Zion, Oak Lawn
 Zion, Ottawa

Multi-Year Financial Comparison

NORTHERN ILLINOIS DISTRICT - LCMS SOURCES OF DISTRICT REVENUE	2013 FY Actual	2014 FY Actual	2015 FY Actual	2016 FY plm-Audit	2017 FY Budget
Congregational Tithes & Contributions	\$2,087,631	\$1,965,024	\$1,832,969	\$1,708,218	\$1,583,642
New Starts New Believers Gifts ¹	\$192,004	\$151,856	\$209,231	\$205,863	\$207,840
Restricted Gifts	\$352,657	\$220,044	\$159,082	\$171,365	\$251,204
Reimbursements & Other Revenue ²	\$608,321	\$901,831	\$429,526	\$735,850	\$520,317
Net Asset Rsv Mkt Valuation Change ³	(\$7,869)	(\$49,059)	\$24,141	\$6,136	\$12,000
Net Asset Activity for Audit Statement	(\$75,270)	\$94,245	\$95,628	\$175,921	
Total District Revenue	\$3,157,474	\$3,283,941	\$2,750,577	\$3,003,353	\$2,575,003
DISTRICT EXPENSES BY CATEGORY					
Direct Support of Synod	\$626,289	\$589,507	\$549,891	\$512,645	\$475,093
District New Starts & Mission Support	\$1,015,932	\$1,186,843	\$1,129,453	\$1,056,695	\$1,056,683
District Ecclesial & Operational Expenses	\$1,491,238	\$1,237,588	\$1,273,318	\$1,414,142	\$1,283,639
Total District Expenses	\$3,133,459	\$3,013,938	\$2,952,662	\$2,983,482	\$2,815,415
District Net Operating Results	\$24,015	\$270,003	(\$202,085)	\$19,871	(\$240,412)
Real Estate Gain (Loss)	\$204,279	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
District Net Gain (Loss) ⁴	\$228,294	\$270,003	(\$212,085)	\$19,871	(\$240,412)
Restricted Gifts to Other Ministries⁵	\$702,194	\$607,006	\$661,591	\$558,155	\$578,000

Footnotes to Financial Statement

- Since 2006, the Northern Illinois District has had an intentional effort to raise awareness and support for New Starts...New Believers.
- Reimbursements include convention assessments, registrations, fees and in FY 2014 the receipt of two trusts.
- Change in Investment Market Valuation recognizes the NID's long-term investment portfolio fluctuating market valuation, including downturns and recoveries.
- The NID Board of Directors has strategically passed a deficit budget for FY 2017 that does not include the projected sale of property previously used to arrive at a balanced budget. The NID Board of Directors has occasionally included an intentional use of district Net Asset Reserves as an investment in local missions.
- The district regularly facilitates pass-through of designated gifts to outside ministries.

Mission to the young is critical, but with a different look

Wednesday night worship is added at Trinity Lisle's South Naperville Early Childhood Center

St. John Forest Park repurposes empty school to welcome community groups serving children

St. John Union offers Upward Sports to help more than 125 kids learn about Jesus

St. Paul Austin opens its first preschool in Chicago to bring community hope

Two more NID churches start public school mentoring programs with Kids Hope USA

NID's preschool coordinator reaches 10,000 hits on Northern Illinois Preschool Blog

Urban churches find Back-to-School Block Parties a popular connection with families





Learning to be in mission

Preschool directors and pastors, like Julie Zimmermann (in photo) and Rev. Tim Bayer (center photo) from St. Mark's, St. Charles, have been meeting together with three other churches in a Learning Community to develop mission plans that connect every family with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This Learning Community, led

by district's Mission Facilitators, is aimed at one thing: to ensure that Lutheran schools are not just a mission of the congregation but in mission with the congregation to all the lives they touch—in and outside of the classroom. And that children themselves learn to be missionaries. Learning Communities are one of the ways your mission dollars are impacting the expansion of local missions in and through Lutheran schools. Thank you.

Individual donors ensure mission outreach

Mission-designated gifts ensure the continuation of district help for local outreach. These gifts are of eternal importance to the lives touched through new starts. Thank you to the following for gifts to Enviando, General Missions, Giving Tuesday, New Starts...New Believers and operations.

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