



The Nebraska District *Ablaze!* Update

May 22, 2008

Circuit Coordinators Set to Serve

The Nebraska District, in response to the opportunities for new mission work God is placing before us, joyfully supports *Fan into Flame* to help provide resources for witnessing opportunities in the communities of Nebraska and throughout the world.

"This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God."
2 Cor. 9:12

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Circuit Coordinators serve the congregations as resource people and voices of encouragement throughout *Fan into Flame*. They have valuable resources to share with your congregation—whether you are deciding when you will participate or starting to talk about what participation in your congregation will look like. Feel free to contact them with questions or for appeal resources.

Thanks be to God for the following individuals who have graciously accepted the role of Circuit Coordinator:

Ainsworth Circuit

Rev. John Ryding, O'Neill

Beatrice Circuit

Rev. Charles Schmidt, Fairbury

Columbus Circuit

Rev. Thomas Volker, Columbus

Falls City Circuit

Bruce Haughton, Rodney Robison, and Vicar Brian Gies, Pawnee City

Fremont Circuit

Glenn and Mary Mueller, Fremont

Grand Island Circuit

Rev. Shawn Kitzing, Loup City

Holdrege Circuit

Rev. Dale Hedstrom, Oxford

Kearney Circuit

Becky Mustard, Lexington

Lincoln Circuit

Rev. Brad Beckman, Lincoln

McCook Circuit

Rev. Gregory Stuckwisch, Wauneta

Norfolk Circuit

Bill and Bonnie Begeman, Norfolk

Omaha North Circuit

Rev. Ronald Holling, Omaha

Omaha West Circuit

Rev. Gary Werling, Gretna

Plainview Circuit

Rev. Duane Fahr, Bloomfield

Wayne Circuit

Rev. Terry and Joyce Buethe, Wakefield

Western Sandhills Circuit

Dr. Marvin and Marcia Swan, Grant

York Circuit

Harold and Betty Renken, York

Coordinator contact information is available on the District website at www.ndlcms.org. Circuits without coordinators may contact the District Office at 888-643-2961 or info@ndlcms.org for more information.

FANTastic Festivals Conclude

President Sommerfeld, Co-Chairs Linda Reiser and Rev. Chip Winter, and members of the *Fan into Flame* steering committee recently completed the series of **FANTastic Festival** orientation workshops across the Nebraska District.

These workshops gathered dedicated laity and church workers from **112 of the 245** Nebraska District congregations to hear about the mission possibilities God is placing around them.

Participants expressed gratitude for the valuable information about *Ablaze!* and *Fan into Flame* these festivals provided. Those who attended learned about the mission fields in which the LCMS and the Nebraska District are engaging, and the new opportunities that exist in the communities of Nebraska, in the United States, and around the world.

If you or your congregational leadership did not make it to a **FANTastic Festival**, the Circuit Coordinators have the same information and would be pleased to come and share more about *Fan into Flame* with your congregation. An updated Circuit Coordinator list is to the left.

Campaign Update

Commitments to date from individuals and congregations in Nebraska for *Fan into Flame* are \$1,649,680 as a result of 22 gifts.

Find It On the Web!

Is your congregation ready to start *Ablaze!* education in preparation for your *Fan into Flame* congregational appeal?

Visit www.ndlcms.org/news/FIF for links to helpful *Ablaze!* websites and ready to use resources!