

# WE NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU!

The Nebraska District will begin a new fiscal year on February 1 with a reduced mission and ministry budget due to declining offerings from the congregations. This means available funds to provide services to congregations and schools are limited.

The Nebraska District Board of Directors will meet for a planning retreat March 5-6 to discuss and re-examine the District's strategic plan, along with mission and ministry goals. To aid with this planning, everyone in the District is encouraged to complete the following survey. Your input will indicate the services you are looking to the District Office to provide and will help the Board allocate the limited financial resources in order to serve the congregations and schools in the best possible way.

Please complete this survey and mail to the District Office at PO Box 407, Seward, NE, 68434 by Monday, March 1, or complete the survey online on the District website at [www.ndlcms.org](http://www.ndlcms.org). Thank you for your time and your input.

I am a:  lay member  
 church worker

The following resources and ministries are currently offered through the Nebraska District Office. Check all those you feel should continue to be offered during 2010. Please make any comments you feel would be helpful.

- Ablaze! resources and contact information
- African immigrant ministry
- Help with the calling process (pastor/teacher/DCE, etc.)
- Campus ministry
- Church worker care and counseling (personal/family/ministry)
- Church worker difficulties consultation
- Conferences and workshops
- Conflict resolution (reconciliation) assistance/mediation
- Congregational difficulties consultation
- Endowment fund development/guidance
- Financial/Benefit advice
- Fiscal conferences
- Gift planning/estate planning services
- Guest speaker/preacher (mission festivals/staff in-service, etc.)
- Lay leadership education
- LCEF loan/investment opportunities
- LCEF services
- Mission trip scholarships
- Native American ministry
- New mission start facilitation
- Outreach/Mission resources or ideas
- Parish education resources (Sunday/weekday school, vacation Bible school, Bible studies, small group, Confirmation)
- District publications (print/email/website)
- Reconciliation training
- Resources from LCMS World Mission on missionaries/mission service opportunities
- Revitalization for congregations
- Sandhills ministry support
- Scholarships/Student aid for church worker students
- Oversight/Resources for Lutheran schools
- Biblical stewardship resources
- Support for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Sudan
- Youth ministry

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please rate the five areas you feel are most important in support of the ministry of your congregation.

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What other ministry resources would you like to see the Nebraska District offer your congregation?

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Other Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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