

THE IOWA DISTRICT EAST PROFESSIONAL WORKER PACKET

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Feb 28, 2010.

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NEXT PACKET DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 15TH

MISSION STATEMENT IOWA DISTRICT EAST THE PURPOSE OF THE IOWA DISTRICT EAST IS TO SERVE THE CONGREGATIONS OF IOWA DISTRICT EAST BY ASSISTING THEM IN PROMOTING THE UNITY OF THE TRUE FAITH AND IN GROWING IN THEIR MINISTRIES OF PROCLAIMING THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST TO THE CONGREGATION, COMMUNITY AND WORLD.

From the President's Office

FEBRUARY 2010

[Rev. Brian S. Saunders](#)

Blessed Brothers and Sisters in Christ our Lord,

It was during the season of Christmas that I learned the value of the liturgy as Pastoral Care. While visiting my mother over the holidays she wanted to leave for church a little early on the 1st Sunday after Christmas. Her intent was for us to visit the grave of my father before the Divine Service. When my mother says she wants to leave early, before church, she means a good hour and a half before. So we got up before the sun, prayed morning devotions and off we went to the cemetery which is about 200 yards from the church building.

The walk to the grave site was the first one I made since my father's death. It was all too familiar a walk and one where no words were spoken because of the lump in my throat and the remaining pain in my heart. We arrived at the grave to find the stone had been set, the date and the name engraved. I could see that my mom was struggling with her need to be strong but she was able to say a few things. Most of her words indicated how much she missed her husband. She said through her crackling voice "I just wish I could be with him".

It was then that the beautiful words of the Sanctus came to mind. The song our family sang for years in the Divine Service as we prepared for Holy Communion. "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth. Heaven and earth are full of your glory." The proper preface to that song of the angels finished with "and now with the angels, arch angels and all the company of heaven let us laud and magnify our glorious Lord by saying:." There was the answer to my mom's request. We had been taught the very truth of heaven and earth coming together at the Communion Rail within the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Savior. The words of comfort, and in a sense, pastoral care were not found in my wisdom as an educated man or in my vocation as a son. It was found in the eternal blessing of the liturgy.

I took mom by the hand and lead her to the church where we sat in the pew and opened the hymnal to the service of the Sacrament. We read the Sanctus together and found great comfort in knowing that in a little while we would be joining in on the worship that never ends along with all the company of heaven. We would be feasting on the meal of eternity. The heavenly worship was going to come to us and in it we would be blessed with the peace of Christ and the joy of Salvation through the forgiveness of our sins.

The Lord has given to His Church a precious language that is the language of heaven. It has been and continues to be for me the ordinary means by which I can provide pastoral care for God's Sheep even though I no longer shepherd a congregation. The liturgy of the Church is marvelous because it is not only language that is used by the clergy. While pastor's do well to make use of it in the Pastoral Care of their members, it can also be used by Principals of our Lutheran Schools, Teachers in their classrooms, Deaconesses, Director's of Christian Education and any vocation where we are called by God to serve His sheep. In fact, the liturgy is so universal that it is meant to be the language of the home where fathers and mothers, sons and daughters, brothers and sisters speak the language of eternity in the setting created by and maintained by the Holy Spirit.

God bless you all as we gather around His altar and receive His wonderful gifts. May we use the language in which we worship as a means by which we take care of each other.

President Brian Saunders

VACANCY UPDATE of Iowa District East

<u>City, Congregation</u>	<u>Vacant date</u>	<u>Calling</u>	<u>Call Issued</u>	<u>Vacancy Pastor</u>
DeWitt, Grace	1.15.09	not calling yet		
Fairbank, St. John	8.30.09	not calling yet		Dean Rothchild
Millersburg/Deep River	8.1.09	calling candidate		Kolesar/Mac Kain

NON-CALLING VACANCIES:

City, Congregation

Chariton, Trinity

Elma, St. Peter

Keosauqua, Our Saviour

Osage, St. John

Shell Rock, Peace

Sigourney, Hope

Waterloo, Concordia

Wellman, Good Shepherd

West Union, Good Shepherd

Vacancy Pastor

Joel Picard (sharing vicar)

Michael Parris

Steve Rasmussen

Byron Northwick

Michael Knox

Richard Meyer

David Steege

Wayne Woolery

Rob Wilcken (monthly service)

PASTORS ASSIGNED/Called:

Pending:

Accepted: Bruce Miller, Paris, TX to Messiah, Mason City (2.7.10 at 2 pm)
Donald Krause, candidate to St. Paul, Delaware (1.24.10 at 2 pm)
Chris Lockie, Rapid City, SD to Immanuel, Davenport (1.24.10 at 4 pm)
Timothy Carr, Grace, DeWitt to Trinity, Toledo, OH

Declined:

DCE/SCHOOL/TEACHER CALLS:

Vacancies: Dubuque School, Dubuque – Principal

Accepted:

Pending:

Declined:

1/15/2010

2010 IDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January

26	Board of Directors at 9 a.m. at District Office	Marion
28	Mission Committee at 9:30 a.m. at District Office	Marion
29-30	Jr High Youth Retreat <i>at Camp</i>	Solon

February

4	Circuit Counselor/Presidium Gathering at District Office from 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Marion
19	Synodical Convention Blue Ribbon Task Force Meeting	St Louis
20-23	Council of Presidents Meeting	St Louis
21	Youth Committee Meeting at 3 pm at District Office	Marion
25	DCEs and Professional Church Workers meet <i>at King of Kings</i>	Cedar Rapids

March

11	Board for Congregational Services at 9:30 a.m. District Office	Marion
12	Worship Committee at 9 am at District Office	Marion
13	Fiscal Summit begins at 9 am until 2:30 pm at Zion	Hiawatha
14	**Daylight Savings Begins**	
20	Early Childhood Conference at Mother's Day Out Preschool	Fairfield
25	DCEs and Professional Church Workers meet <i>at St John</i>	Marengo

April

2-5	Good Friday/ Easter Holiday - District Office Closed	
16-17	Fifth/Sixth Grade Gathering at LIS	Williamsburg
16	Schools Committee Meeting at Clemons Lutheran School	Clemons
24 – 28	COP/Spring Placements at St Louis and Fort Wayne	

May

3-4	Spring Church Workers Conference at Camp IODISECA	Solon
10	Retired Pastors Luncheon at 11 am at Zion	Hiawatha

Complete Calendar On the [District Website](#)

THINGS to SHARE in IDE

February 2010

Please pass along this page of information to all areas of your congregation.

Fiscal Summit

Join us on **Saturday, March 13, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the IDE Fiscal Summit.**

Several representatives from each congregation and school are requested to attend the **Fiscal Summit** at Zion Lutheran Church in Hiawatha. Eight different speakers will be presenting twelve distinctive workshops. Church and School leaders, beyond rostered workers, that should attend this workshop are representatives from the Trustees, Elders, Treasurer, Board of Finance, Congregational Chairman and Office / Administrative Secretaries.

Iowa District East Spring Worker's Conference

**May 3-4, 2010
Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca**

Topic: Loehe and Walther Today

Presenters: Rev. Brian Saunders, IDE President
and
Rev. Dr. John Wohlrabe, Pastor of Concordia
Lutheran Church, Geneseo, IL

Registration will be in the March packet.

Please note the NEW - Iowa District
East LWML Website www.ide-lwml.org.

Attention Church Secretary and LWML Society President:

The IDE LWML Convention is **June 18 – 19, 2010 in Davenport**, at the Clarion Hotel. The deadline for registration is May 30, 2010. Registration forms were published in the winter IDEA and are also included in this packet. This packet includes articles for your bulletins & newsletters starting in January 2010. If you would like a paper copy of any of these items please email your request to [Kathy Yaudas](mailto:Kathy_Yaudas).

Thank you for publicizing the 2010 Iowa District East LWML convention! Please keep the LWML convention committee in your prayers. If you have any questions feel free to call 563 324 6431.
Sisters in Christ, Kathy Yaudas

Changes to the Fall 2009 District Directory

Please take a minute to add these changes to your directory.

DECEMBER 2009

Page	Name	Changes
1/28	BEISEL, Paul (Amy)	Address: 323 Lee Lane, Iowa Falls 50126 Church Phone: 641.648.3756 Home Phone: 641.648.2792 Email: revbeisel@hotmail.com
1/23	ANDERSON, Mark	Email: maandrsn@t6b.com
2/23	BRINKMAN, Wayne	Retired and moved from District
2	BRUMWELL, Rev. Tyrone POBLO	Address: 3013 Ravenwood Ter NW Cedar Rapids 52405-4552 Phone: 319-363-1546 h; 319-573-2066 o tyrone@poblo.org
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6/26	KOCH, Ronnie	Email: stpaulslc@iowatelecom.net
7	LAVRENZ, Mark E.	Church email: bethinfo@bethlcms.org
10/31	PAUTZ, Jeffery (Angela)	Address: 1103 Westwood Ln, Muscatine 52761-2109 Phone: 563-263-0347 O/563-263-0639 H Email: jeffpautz@gmail.com
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31	Mt Vernon, St Paul	Church email: info@splcmv.org
37	HALL, Brad	Email: hallb@trinitycr.org

Please notify the District Office of any changes in email addresses, home addresses, staff changes and such. Include all professional worker changes with in your congregation

PALANGA, LITHUANIA

FEBRUARY 2010

Good News Concerning Lithuania

Getting It Done in Ten

GIDIT

- With a concerted effort I think that this project could be completed in 2010.
- Getting it Done in Ten **GIDIT**
- \$594,670 has been contributed through 12/8/09
- Two resolutions were passed at our 2009 District Convention to complete this project:
 - “That the Saints of Iowa District East be encouraged to contribute toward the capital Campaign with a minimum goal of \$210,000 to help our brothers and sisters in Lithuania occupy the facilities in Palanga.”
 - **WHEREAS**, we thank the LCMS “Fan Into Flame” campaign which will help complete this project; **therefore be it RESOLVED**, we encourage all the congregations of Iowa District East in Christian love both small and large to consider adopting a needed project so the Lithuania ministry center will be completed to the point where it can be inspected and opened for use to the praise and honor of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.
- **Retired District President, Rev. Dr. Gary Arp** is willing to come and speak to your congregation about this project. This would be an excellent emphasis for a Mission Festival which looks at work we are doing together outside of the United States.
- **19 of 48** individual projects have already been adopted by congregations, individuals, Ladies groups and Vacation Bible schools.
- **29 projects** are still available for your adoption.
- Gifts given to the Fan Into Flame Capital Campaign may be entirely given for the Palanga Lithuania Project.
- For a list of the remaining projects you may consult the District website at: www.lcmside.org
- New Updated total is @ 640,000.
- Congregational and individual support continues throughout our District.
- **Football uses the term, 3 and out.**
- **We are using the slogan for the Palanga Project: 2010, Done and Completed!**

From: Rev. Dr. Dean F. Rothchild, Assistant to the President

For the Areas of: Human Care / Conflict Resolution / Evangelism and Missions / Mission Education/ Youth

FEBRUARY 2010

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Crystal Clear Communication

If there was ever a time in history that called forth for “crystal clear communication” it would be today. People often receive messages which are vague, messages which proclaim half-truths, messages that simply impart lies. As we know, Jesus called the devil, “the father of lies.” Should we expect anything less when the Gospel itself is at stake? The Church needs to clearly communicate the message of Christ Jesus. This must be done in the “full counsel of God.”

St. Paul clearly states: ***“For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”*** Romans 6:23. It is clear, because of sin, people die. Sin is the reason that there is death in the world. People who die apart from Jesus Christ will spend eternity in hell. Is the Church afraid to boldly speak God’s word to its own people and to the people outside its own doors?

There is good news in this same passage from St. Paul: ***“but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”*** What a wonderful crystal clear proclamation of the Holy Gospel comes to us from St. Paul! It is a gift. We didn’t do anything to earn it, we can’t earn it and it only comes to us as a gift by faith in Christ Jesus as our Savior. It came to us in the water of Holy Baptism. Baptism is the Holy Gospel in the form of Christ’s Word and the water. It is a gift. God runs the verbs in Holy Baptism.

Luther’s little saying: “where there is forgiveness of sins, there is life and salvation” also relates to this verse from Paul. In Holy Baptism we were given eternal life. In the Holy Absolution, Christ again is saying to us, “your sins are forgiven and you have eternal life.” In the high point of the Divine Service, Christ Jesus gives us His body and blood, under the bread and wine, for the forgiveness of sins. He also reminds us that we have eternal life. This too is pure gift. God runs the verbs in the Lord’s Supper.

St. John also clearly communicates the message of the Gospel but in a little different manner: ***“And the witness is this that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has the life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have the life. These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, in order that you may know that you have eternal life.”*** 1 John 5:11-13.

May we who live in daily repentance be given the opportunity to clearly communicate God’s message to those who are outside of the Church and to those within the church who are no longer living from their baptism and have denied the vows of their confirmation. The fact of the matter is this, those who die without faith in Jesus will spend eternity in hell, but those who die in Christ Jesus will spend eternity in heaven! Have I made myself clear?

In service to you,
Rev. Dr. Dean F. Rothchild

Witness Workshop

“Confessing Christ Workshop”

After completing one of the Witness Workshop presentations a person remarked to me: “maybe you should have a different name for this. Witnessing is something which scares so many people.” For some time I had a scribbled note attached to one of my file cabinets which simply said: “Confessing Christ Workshop.” Is that not what the Church really does? It makes the statement, “This is what we believe, teach and confess.” And our confession centers in the work of Christ Jesus on behalf of all people.

Having said all of that, the basis of what this workshop entails are the two kinds of righteousness, active and passive, and the doctrine of Christian vocation. As we clearly understand what has been done for us (passive righteousness) we are freed to live out our confession of faith in service to our neighbor (active righteousness). As we interact with people the opportunity arises for us to do two things: talk to others about Jesus Christ and invite them to attend the Divine Service where God brings His gifts to people through the Pastoral Office.

The Resolve of Overture 2.04 from our 2009 District Convention reads: **RESOLVED**, that we challenge every congregation of the 119 churches of the Iowa District East to participate in a Witness Workshop during the next Triennium so that our people together can declare the wonderful deeds of the Gospel that has cancelled us out of the darkness into His marvelous light.

These workshops require 4.25 hours of teaching time. The schedule can be adjusted to meet your local needs. These can be held on either a Saturday or a Sunday. This workshop has also been adapted for use as an “**in-service event**” for our Lutheran school faculties.

If you desire to set up a workshop you can [contact me](#) by email or by calling 319-373-2112. I look forward to the opportunity to teach Christ’s sheep entrusted to your care.

Rev. Dr. Dean Rothchild

Insert Witness Workshop info PDF 3 pgs

From Rev. Daird W. Korth
Assistant to the President

FEBRUARY 2010

For the Areas of Free Standing Preschools and Day Care Centers

(641) 529 0970

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at our **District Early Childhood Conference**. The date is Saturday, March 20. We will begin at 8:00 a.m. The registration form is in this packet. This year Mother's Day Out Preschool in Fairfield has offered to host the event. Perhaps next year we can move the conference to another part of our District.

We are fortunate to have **Dr. Sue Starks** from Concordia University of St. Paul as our Keynote Speaker. She has worked in Early Childhood for over 25 years. She promises to enlighten, motivate and engage the participants.

Her topic is "Keeping Play Alive for Young Children!" She writes describing the topic: "Children today are experiencing a pronounced absence of play in their early years. David Elkind (2007) refers to it as a 'silencing' of play. Research tells us that developmentally, play is imperative for young children's overall growth and development. In addition, there is significant evidence of play's strong connection to learning. As early childhood educators, how do we meet the rising demands of heightened accountability alongside of ensuring that children have opportunities to play and enhance their overall development? Drawing upon research, as well as our collective knowledge and experience, we will delve into this question and the numerous facets involved in this two-part workshop."

Our other two presenters are from the AEA. **Carol Havelka**, an Occupational Therapist, will present "Handwriting Without Tears." **Sue Kientz**, an Instructional Tech. Coach will discuss "Technology in the Classroom."

All of the presentations at this conference will count for credit according to the CDA requirements. The registration deadline is March 9. I hope to see you in Fairfield!

National Lutheran Schools Week will be celebrated March 7 - 13, 2010. A Worship and Resource Manual is available in a down-loadable format through the LCMS School Ministry on-line store at www.lcms.org/dcsstore. The manual offers worship and activity suggestions for all grades, including Early Childhood. Other promotional items for NLSW 2010 are available from Concordia Publishing House. Celebrating NLSW is a great way to let the members of the congregation and community know what makes a Lutheran education unique.

Blessings,
[Rev. Daird W. Korth, ATTP](mailto:Rev.Daird.W.Korth@ATTP)
641-529-0970

IDE EARLY CHILDHOOD CONFERENCE

Whoever welcomes a child like this in my name welcomes me. Matt 18:5
All Preschool Directors, Teachers and Aides are encouraged to attend.

Date: **Saturday, March 20, 2010**
Time: **8:00 am - 3:30 pm**
Location: **Mother's Day Out Preschool, Fairfield, Iowa**

SESSIONS INCLUDE:

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Sue Starks from Concordia University, St. Paul.
"Keeping Play Alive for Young Children!"

Other Presenters from the AEA:

"Handwriting Without Tears."

Carol Havelka, Occupational Therapist

"Technology in the Classroom."

Sue Kientz, Instructional Tech. Coach

REGISTRATION: \$15.00 per person. Registration must be received by March 9, 2010 to help with lunch planning. 6 DHS hours will be awarded, at close of conference, for attendance.

REGISTRATION FORM

Early Childhood Conference on March 20, 2010
March 9, 2010 – Registration Deadline

Name of Preschool, City _____

Names of attendees:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Total attending: _____ x \$15.00 per person **Total Enclosed:** \$ _____

Contact Person: _____

Contact Phone(s): _____ **Cell #** _____

Email Address of Contact Person: _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO AND MAIL WITH THIS FORM TO:

Iowa District East – ECC
1100 Blairs Ferry Road
Marion IA 52302-3093

Information for Youth Leaders

PLEASE PRINT OUT AND PASS ON

FEBRUARY 2010

Mark These Upcoming Events!

Junior High Retreat **January 29 & 30, 2010**

Location: Camp IODISECA
Presenter: Pastor David Weber

Deadline for registration to be in at the District Office is January 22nd. The Health Form is for the benefit of the Youth Counselor if the need becomes apparent and the Youth Counselor needs to have signed forms for every youth in their care.

5th/ 6th Grades Youth Retreat **April 16-17, 2010**

Location: Lutheran Interparish School, Williamsburg
Registration Form is in this Professional Packet.

LCMS National Youth Gathering **July 17 - 21, 2010**

New Orleans
"WE BELIEVE"

ARCHIVES

IOWA DIST. EAST

For the past year, the members of The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod [LCMS] in Iowa District East [IDE] have had a chance to be exposed to a history of their church going back to the founding of the LCMS in Iowa in 1879. That series, written by Rev. Walter S. Wendt, dealt more specifically with information pertaining to individual congregations and went as far as 1952. In 1961, Rev. Wendt provided another history, this time covering the time from when IDE came into existence until 1961. A series was written for *The Lutheran Witness* and ran from July to December of 1961. This series focuses not so much on the individual congregations, but more on the history of the institutions, conferences and statistics of IDE. IDE Archivist Allen Konrad has typed out the text of the series so that it can be made available on our district website. The series will be presented in 8 parts.

Series 2 - #05- February 2010

The Missouri Synod in Iowa East *The Lutheran Witness – Iowa District East Edition* Vol. 80, No. 22, 31 October, 1961 Rev. Walter S. Wendt

1947

The congregation at Center Point dedicated its new chapel made possible through the purchase of three army barracks.

St. John's, Oskaloosa, was privileged to dedicate their new house of worship in October.

Many congregations and their auxiliary organizations were sending food and clothing to those suffering in the war-torn areas of Europe, adopting certain families to feed and clothe.

1948

A change of editors of the District Supplement took place at the beginning of the year with Pastor William Zabel, Charlotte, replacing Pastor George Koch. St. John's, Victor, remodeled its church facilities at a cost of \$20,000.

The Rev. L.W. Wickham was employed by the Home for the Aged Association as promotional secretary to lay the groundwork for erecting a home for the association. Noteworthy was the love shown by the members of St. Stephen's, Atkins, toward their retiring pastor, the Rev. G. Rickels, who had served their congregation for 28 years. The congregation resolved to pay his full salary until his

pension would start and after that \$100 a month until he reached his 50th year in the ministry. They also underwrote the doctor and hospital bills during his last illness.

Zion, Shellsburg, dedicated its new house of worship on June 13, and Saint Paul's, Dubuque, rededicated its renovated house of worship.

The 1948 convention was held at St. Paul's, Williamsburg, Aug. 16-19. The Rev. Dr. J.W. Behnken represented the synod. The essay "The High-Priestly Office of Christ" was presented by Dr. C.S. Munding, president of St. John's College Winfield.

Pastors received into the District were Max Jank, Fredericksburg; Ralph Radtke, Concordia, Waterloo; Wilbur Becker, Fayette; A.R. Aschbrenner, Bremer; Arthur Lindner, Hampton; Marvin Geffert, Stanwood; E.H. Hartman, Oxford; Ewald Recks, Deep River; W.T. Wolfram, Ventura; A.W. Galen, Concordia, Waterloo; Norman Rothe, Van Horne; John Zimmerman, Eldora.

Teachers received: E.R. Kiekhaefer, Groth, Dubuque; Wilbur Joseph, Klinger; Willis Lindeman, Artesian.

Resignations: Pastors P.L. Bornhoeft, Cedar Rapids, and J. Bertram, Iowa City.

Received into their heavenly home were Pastors G. Schroeder and G. Rickels.

The convention went on record urging the consolidation of smaller congregations into one parish wherever practical. The Williamsburg and Victor circuits were recircuited into three so that the Mount Pleasant, Williamsburg, and Oskaloosa circuits were established.

New officers elected at this convention: Pastors Geo. Perlich, Second Vice-President; R.P. Young, Secretary of Missions; E.L. Runge, Secretary of Education; F. Ilten, Secretary of Institutional Missions; H.H. Kirchmann, Stewardship Secretary; Mr. P. Schmidt, chairman of the Board; E.A. Heiden, Financial Secretary; and Teacher F.R. Behnke, Secretary of Young People's Work.

New Circuit Visitors: Pastors Theo. Rottman, Dubuque; B.W. Bruch, Eldora; W. Tensmeyer, Mount Pleasant; L. Braeunig, Oskaloosa; M.F. Scheel, Westgate.

New congregations received: Redeemer, Ventura; Our Savior, Bettendorf; Concordia, Waterloo; Trinity, Knoxville; Grace, Montezuma; Calvary, Deep River.

A memorial marker at site of the Old Zion Lutheran Church near Beed's Lake north of Hampton was unveiled on Sept. 26. Zion was the first Lutheran church in Franklin County, and its three daughter congregations, Saint Paul's, Latimer; Immanuel, Grant Center; and Trinity, Hampton, made possible this marker. Our District congregations joined in the Christian Rural Overseas Program (CROP) to help provide grains, foodstuffs, and money for overseas relief. A church music workshop was held at St. John's, Clinton. A 32-page booklet covering the history of our Lutheran Church in Iowa was made available through the efforts of Pastor L. Wuerrfel, then at Iowa City. The Rev. John Schliepsiek succeeded Pastor J. Bertram as our third institutional missionary at Iowa City.

1949

The year 1949 saw the birth of a new magazine in Synod, known as *This Day*. Our joint public relations committee with Iowa West made a presentation of a special copy of Governor Beardsley in Des Moines.

A number of new churches were completed and dedicated during the course of the year: Newhall; Bettendorf; Trinity, State Center, Mount Pleasant; Blairstown; Melcher; and at Marion the congregation dedicated its enlarged church. St. Paul's, Latimer, dedicated its new school.

Dr. Walter A. Maier appeared at a Lutheran Hour rally in Waterloo on April 24.

The District convention was held at Keystone, Aug. 15-18. Rev. F.A. Hertwig was the synodical representative. The essay, "The Savior in the State of Humiliation," was presented by Pastor John Choitz, Iowa City.

Pastors received into the District were: E.L. Stuempfig, Bennett; E.H. Widmann, Cedar Rapids; H.H. Frohn, Elkader; E.F. Heinicke, Evansdale; M.E. Pape, Hubbard; A.T. Kellerman, Latimer; A.H. Mette, Albia; R.M. Muhl, Immanuel, Williamsburg. Teachers received: H.C. Ohrman, Klinger; H.F. Stichweh, Conroy; K.A. Hufnagel, Immanuel, Waterloo; M.G. Watkins, Immanuel, Waterloo.

Resignations: Pastors H.F.C. Mueller, Herman Maas. Teachers W. Joseph, H.A. Winrich, E.J. Studt.

A Department of Public Relations was established for the District to be headed by an elected District chairman and assisted by a representative from each circuit. Pastor Walter S. Wendt of Belle Plaine was chosen to be the first chairman of Public Relations of the District.

The **LUTHERAN WITNESS** Supplement subscriptions were placed into the budget of the District. The matter of a full-time Stewardship-Mission-Education Secretary was tabled. Delegates to the 1950 convention at Milwaukee were elected. Citations were made to the four pastors present who had served as chaplains in the Armed Forces, and a medal was presented to each by a representative of the Armed Services Commission.

Because of illness Pastor Zabel resigned as Supplement editor. He was succeeded by Pastor George Koch. Rev. Walter D. Oetting of Waterloo succeeded Pastor C. Hesse as District President when the latter accepted a call outside the District.

The District convention of the Walther League was held at Belle Plaine as a one-day convention, with a large crowd of young people in attendance. On Dec. 7 the Public Relations Committee of the District was organized in a meeting at Cedar Rapids so that it could be a functional part of the District's machinery.

1950

The membership of the Iowa District East had grown to 32,231 in 1950 and included 22,190 communicants. There were 100 congregations in the District. Pastor L. Peter was commissioned as full-time Protestant state prison chaplain at Fort Madison. The Davenport Circuit Lutheran Schools held their first talent festival, which has become an annual affair since that time. The Home for the Aged Association acquired its first home at Vinton when it purchased the old hospital and an annex for \$35,000. They also bought an entire block of ground to serve as a park adjoining the home.

Many congregations began building new churches during the year. Grand Mound renovated and enlarged its church. Knoxville, with the help of a grant of \$6,000 from the District LWML, was able to complete its chapel. Shell Rock dedicated its new house of worship, and St. John's at State Center rejoiced at being able to have its own beautiful house of worship after many years of doing without after fire had destroyed their church. Trinity at Clinton completed an addition to its church. Wilton Junction dedicated a new altar and a 1,300-pound bell.

The convention of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod elected President Herman Harms as First Vice-President of the Synod. This being a full-time position in the church, Pastor Harms bade farewell to Iowa to take up his new duties in St. Louis, MO.

1951

During the year 1951 five new churches were dedicated in the District, namely, those at Homestead, DeWitt, College Hill, Cedar Falls, Alden, and Grace, Waterloo. A new school was dedicated at Latimer, and Trinity in Ottumwa dedicated its enlarged facilities. Pastor Otto Nieting became the first superintendent of the Home for the Aged at Vinton.

The District convention was held at Trinity, Cedar Rapids, Aug. 13-16, and was the first convention ever to meet in a tent. The synodical representative was Dr. Walter Lichtsinn, Third Vice-President of Synod. Essayist was Dr. John Choitz, continuing his essay on the Atonement.

Christ Church, Gladbook, became the 101st congregation in the District. Pastors received into the District were William Hilst, Fayette; O.H. Moll, Washington-Wellman; William Reddell, Klinger; M.V. Meyer, Buckeye; Fred Voightmann, Luzerne; George Kupke, St. John's, Osage; Otto Schumacher, Bettendorf; H.W. Michels, Elma; William Weber, Shell Rock; Clarence Rabe, Oskaloosa; W.E. Bok, Deep River-Montezuma.

Teachers received were Arnold Werling, Newhall; Carl Rogahn, Klinger; and George Roggatz, Lowden.

Teacher H.S. Bertram of Lowden resigned.

Called to their eternal rest were Pastors Rudolph Juengel and William Zabel.

The convention set a basic minimum salary for pastors of subsidized congregations of \$200 per month, plus \$20 per month for each dependent child, plus \$25 per month for each place served for car allowance.

A Secretary of Adult Education was added to the elected officers of the District, who is to be a member of the Board of Directors.

The convention went on record together with Iowa West to invite Synod to locate its new Senior College in Iowa, an invitation which was not accepted.

The convention voted, at the request of the laymen, to permit laymen as well as pastors and teachers to attend the convention Communion service, beginning with the 1952 convention.

The convention recommended a continuation of holding sessions in a tent, as was inaugurated at this convention.

A Rural Life Commission of three members was authorized to be appointed by the Board of Directors of the District.

New officers elected at this convention were: Pastors W.D. Oetting, President; George Perlich, First Vice-President; Fred Ilten, Second Vice-President; R.P. Young, Secretary of Missions; L. Braeunig,

Secretary of Education; H.J. Heilman, Secretary of Institutional Missions; H.H. Kirchman, secretary of Stewardship; Teacher F.E. Behnke, Secretary of Young People's Work; Mr. Robert Ilten, chairman of the Board; and E.A. Heiden, Financial Secretary.

New Circuit Visitors elected were Pastors O.T. Schreiber, Cedar Rapids; Theo. Eichelberg, Davenport; Theo. Rottman, Dubuque; B.W. Bruch, Eldora; W. Tensmeyer, Mount Pleasant; A. Bertram, Oskaloosa; H. Wolters, St. Ansgar; William Reddel, Westgate; and C. Schroeder, Williamsburg.

1952

The year 1952 was the year in which Synod's Conquest for Christ Crusade was held in an effort to raise 10 million dollars to meet the great challenge the Lord had placed before the church. The movie *All That I Have* was produced for showing as a part of this crusade. Our Iowa District East raised \$319,000 toward this fund.

Wellsburg and Gladbrook formed a joint parish under the pastorate of Dean Kasischke.

The Home for the Aged in Vinton, after being remodeled and redecorated, was dedicated on August 3rd.

The District convention was held at St. Ansgar, Aug. 11-14. Dr. Arnold Grumm, Vice-President of Synod, represented Synod. Essayist was Prof. Alfred von Rohr Sauer, who spoke on "The Comfort of Christ's Exaltation, with Special Reference to Pertinent Passages of the Old Testament."

New pastors who entered the District were: M.H. Sonntag, Sumner Rural; R. Going, Burlington; D.P. Bergmann, Trinity, Osage; W.A. Reitz, Guttenberg; W.H. Schlie, Belle Plaine; H.H. Kespohl, Conroy; A.W. Mommens, McGregor; W.J. Nierman, Blainstown; K.F. Schroeder, Iowa Falls.

Teachers accepted into the District were: G.W. Brottmiller, Immanuel, Waterloo; C.W. Laabs, Trinity, Cedar Rapids; A.F. Winterstein, Luzerne; E.T. Mueller, State Center.

St. Mark's, Garrison, was received as a member of Synod.

Pastor H.H. Kirchman resigned from the ministry, and Pastor Fr. Wolter entered into his eternal rest.

New and revised regulations governing the establishment of new mission congregations in the District were adopted. A student-service policy at Iowa City was also adopted.

New churches dedicated during 1952 were St. John's, Marengo; Immanuel, Waterloo; and the chapel at Wapello, which was erected with the assistance of an \$8,000 grant from the District Lutheran Women's Missionary League. Westgate enlarged and remodeled its church.

(To be continued)

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CAMP

5/6 grade gathering

Iowa District East Youth Event Health Form

All information is confidential. Parents this form must be signed for child to participate.

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Birthday ___ / ___ / ___ Age _____ Grade this Fall _____ Gender _____

Address _____ Information Provided By: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Home Phone _____

Parent 1 First Name _____ Last Name _____ Cell _____ Work _____

Parent 2 First Name _____ Last Name _____ Cell _____ Work _____

IF NOT AVAILABLE IN AN EMERGENCY, NOTIFY:

Name _____ Relationship _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

Doctor _____ Phone _____

Dentist _____ Phone _____

Pharmacy _____ Phone _____

NAME OF FAMILY MEDICAL/HOSPITAL INSURANCE:

Insurance Carrier _____ Policy # _____

Insurance Phone Number To Call (if applicable) _____

Primary Insured's Name _____

Activity Restrictions by parent's/physician's advice?: _____

Other information we need to know? _____

ALLERGIES: Hay Fever Poison Ivy Insect Stings Asthma Food

Peanut Butter Nuts Penicillin Other Drugs: _____

Medications Brought To Event: _____

Notes on Giving: _____

Acetaminophen, Ibuprofen, antacids, anti-diarrhea medication and first aid **MAY / MAY NOT**
(**CIRCLE ONE**) be administered to my child, as needed, by designated chaperones.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS?

AUTHORIZATIONS:

This health history is correct so far as I know and the person herein described has permission to engage in all prescribed event activities except as noted above. I also give permission to the event coordinator or chaperone to order x-rays, routine tests and treatment. In the event I cannot be reached in an emergency, I give permission to the physician selected by the event coordinator to transport, hospitalize and secure proper treatment, order injection and/or anesthesia and/or surgery.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED, SIGNED AND GIVEN TO YOUR YOUTH COUNSELOR ATTENDING THE EVENT WITH YOU. THE YOUTH COUNSELOR COLLECTS AND RETAINS THE **IDE YOUTH EVENT HEALTH FORM** FOR EACH PARTICIPANT.

What to Bring/Not Bring for IDE Retreats

WHAT TO BRING

Bible
Sleeping bag or Linens
Pillow
Clothes for 2 days
Sweatshirt or jacket
Bag for dirty clothes
2 pr. shoes (1 closed-toe)
Camera (disposable recommended)
Toiletries
Towel
Rain gear
Flashlight

DO NOT BRING

Food & drink
Music players, CDs, radios, or headphones.
Cellular phones
Electronic games
Digital cameras
Items of real, intrinsic, or sentimental value
Items that could cause injury.
Alcohol, tobacco and other controlled substances.

From: Rev. Wayne Woolery, Assistant to the President

For the Areas of Elementary and Secondary Schools

DECEMBER 2009

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Happenings around the schools in Iowa East:

Valley Lutheran Middle and High School – Cedar Falls: Has received state accreditation for grades 9-12 and are working on National Lutheran School Accreditation.

Immanuel Lutheran School – Waterloo: Has hired a part-time Admissions Counselor to meet and keep in contact with all individuals inquiring about the school. The counselor also has worked to get Immanuel in the news and has spoken to various community groups.

Central Lutheran School – Newhall: Has begun to raise funds for a new gymnasium and kitchen remodeling and expansion.

Lutheran High School in Cedar Rapids: Will be meeting with Genesis consultant in January/February to prepare for the feasibility study. The study group has established a new web site: lutheranhighschoolcr.com.

Lutheran Interparish - Williamsburg: *Keeping Fit* - Four of the staff members of LIS competed in several runs this past spring-summer-fall.

\$4,489.97: The “change” offering gathered at the Iowa Lutheran Teachers Conference in Urbandale which will be used for the China mission project supporting students attending Lutheran schools in China.

January 21st: The date of the next Iowa Lutheran School Principal’s meeting to discuss the Iowa Core Curriculum, licensure issues and to hear 2009 STO information. The meeting will take place in Johnston at Messiah Lutheran Church.

2009 Tax Credit: There is still time to get a tax credit AND support families in Lutheran Schools. Pass the word regarding the Iowa Lutheran School Tax Organization. Check out the STO website: www.iowalutheransto.org or contact Lois Warnsholz at 563-391-1304 or Lois.Warnsholz@lsportal.net

Board for Congregational Services

Request from Education Committee

At this time of the fall – after much thought and even more work – most of us should have our confirmation, Sunday School and parish education plans figured out and in place. Every year we go through the same preparations trying to find the best way to teach the faith handed down to us, in order that we might pass it on to those who come after us. Though the substance of *what* we teach does not change, the learning styles of our students and other factors sometimes make it necessary to change the *way* in which we teach. At a minimum it is good practice to review our curriculum yearly to see whether or not we can improve the methods by which we instruct Christ's people.

The Education Committee of the IDE Board for Congregational Services would like to help you by assembling a list of resources for parish education and making them available to be shared with the district by serving as a clearing house for those resources. But we need your help to make this possible.

We would like you to consider submitting a list of resources you have used and found helpful in teaching confirmation, Sunday School or any other kind of Christian Education within your congregation. It would also be very helpful if you could include a very brief synopsis of why you found that resource useful. We welcome materials which are published as well as personally developed.

Below is a list of areas for which we would like to begin assembling materials:

- Resources and curriculum that promote Biblical literacy
- Special hymns, and accompanying music that help children learn Bible stories/lessons
- Resources and curriculum for use in Confirmation classes
- Slide presentations used for Confirmation, Bible studies, etc.
- Anything else you think would be helpful to share

Our district has been blessed with many faithful pastors and teachers who are skilled in teaching God's Word to His holy people. We hope that by assembling this list we will assist each other in doing just that. **Please direct your questions or comments on this request to Rev. Joshua D. Reimche.**