

Keeping Connected in the LOGOS Great Lakes Region

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Generations Nurturing Each Other in Mahomet

The LOGOS Ministry has been around at the Lutheran Church of Mahomet for ten plus years. Like any program or ministry, LOGOS has its highs and its lows. What has sustained us so far has been our flexibility.

We are a diverse and talented congregation with many generations of members. We encourage all of these generations to nurture the others. Everyone has something to teach and we all have things we could learn from others.

Our Recreation Play and Worship Skill components are

broken into four 5-week sessions. Within each session, the children in K-5 are broken up into two age groups and each age group



chooses from two or three options. We try to stay in-tune with our youth and we recognize that not every child has the same interests, so we try to think "outside of the box" for recreation. I like to think of

something my own children enjoy doing and then brainstorm how these activities could be done as a group. Never overlook the simple ideas. Sometimes simple is the best way to go. We have learned this the hard way!

Finally, we look to our congregation and their interests. Chances are, if people feel passionately about something, they will be willing to share some of their time and knowledge with others. Be flexible in your ideas, know your members, and pray. It works for us!

Fishing? Fishing!

At the Lutheran Church in Mahomet, we really try to branch out during our half-hour Recreation Play period. We happen to have a generous LOGOS volunteer who allowed us to use the lake near his house for a fishing recreation.

Our Recreation Play sessions are split into four 5-week sessions centered on a theme or idea. For the first two or three weeks, the kids met at the church and practiced casting, baiting and some fishing guidelines. The last week of the session was spent at the lake putting their new talents to work. We extended Recreation Play for this week in order to allow the kids extra time for travel to the lake and for fishing. They had a sack dinner at the lake.

Since the LOGOS year coincides with the school year, we don't get to do many of these off-site ideas before the weather turns too cold for outside activities. This is one I'm sure we will repeat!



This article was written by Kelly Schlueter, Director of the LOGOS ministry at The Lutheran Church of Mahomet, Mahomet, IL. The Lutheran Church of Mahomet has been offering a LOGOS ministry for 10 years and currently has 44 students enrolled from Grades K-5.

LOGOS Great Lakes Regional Support

Regional Advisors and Regional Coordinators are your resource people for questions, concerns, ideas, support, or anything regarding your local LOGOS Ministry. They welcome your calls and emails!

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We are in the process of calling more regional supporters. If you are interested in finding out about serving LOGOS in a variety of possibilities, please contact Liz Perraud at 877-937-2572 or [lizperraud@thelogosministry.org]

Exploring
LOGOS



Is your church interested in sharing the LOGOS ministry with others?

Exploring LOGOS is a two-hour event for churches to see and hear information about the LOGOS ministry and support system, consider the ministry's impact on young people and the rest of the church, and have an opportunity to determine whether a team from their congregation is ready to attend **The LOGOS Experience** training event. There is no cost to attend!

We are always looking for churches willing to host these events. We supply a regional LOGOS representative and all materials needed.

If you would like information on scheduling **Exploring LOGOS** at your church, please contact Liz Perraud at LizPerraud@thelogosministry.org or 1-877-937-2572.

REGIONAL LIFT EVENT

Local churches gather for a day to share ideas and resources, attend discovery groups on program topics, create a network of support within a region, and receive inspiration for the high vision of LOGOS.

CONSULTATIONS

A qualified LOGOS Consultant can come to you to examine the specific needs and concerns of your church. Churches that attend **The LOGOS Experience** are eligible for a **FREE TWO-HOUR CONSULTATION** within a year of training. Cost of travel for the consultant is the only expense.

ONE DAY WORKSHOPS

- Nurturing the Nurturers: A Bible Teachers' Workshop
- Wonder-filled Worship Skills
- Love in Disguise: Nurturing Young People Through Discipline

To schedule a specialized training event to fit your church's needs, please contact Betsy Strain, Church Partnerships, at (877) 937-2572 or betsystrain@thelogosministry.org

PREACHING

LOGOS can provide a guest preacher to share the vision of the LOGOS ministry during a worship service in your church.

