

Keeping Connected in the LOGOS North East Region

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BEAUTY FOR ASHES

In the spring of 2004, Denbigh Presbyterian Church in Newport News, Virginia, made a commitment to begin LOGOS in the fall. The program did begin that October—but getting there was a journey requiring trust, faith and hope.

Just prior to going to LOGOS training, our church was vandalized and set on fire, but with minimal damage. As our leaders returned from LOGOS training, the arsonist struck again. This time our building and all of its contents were not going to be useable for six months!

As the reality of being a church without a building sank

in, we questioned if we should begin LOGOS or wait for our building. Inspired by the community of believers that surrounded us, we made a plan to be a congregation in three places.



Our office would be useable in one month, worship services would be at a neighboring Presbyterian Church, and

LOGOS would operate out of a neighboring Catholic Church. God had provided!

We met at the Catholic Church all summer to train our workers and prepare our ministry. Then word came that repairs could be shifted from the sanctuary to the kitchen and education wings so that the LOGOS ministry could start in our own building by October!

In three months time, the first night of LOGOS began with 60 youth and as many adults in our own church building. We were a family—laughing, eating and in relationship. We knew that we all were Children of God.

STRONG HANDS REACH OUT FOR WEAK HANDS

Making "Linus Blankets" for terminally-ill children has become one of the most touching ministries of our LOGOS ministry. As each youth pulls, knots or ties a thread, a prayer is offered for the child that will receive the blanket.

Jillian offered this prayer of dedication during our Spring LOGOS Worship Service, "These Linus Blankets were made from the strength of our hands and the love of our Lord. Today we give them to children who need His warmth and care. So from now on, they will know they are "children of God," made in God's image. Amen."



This month's articles were written by Mary Lee Dunn, LOGOS Director at Denbigh Presbyterian Church in Newport News, VA. Denbigh Presbyterian has been offering LOGOS for three years. They serve 68 children and youth from kindergarten through 12th grade.

FOCUS ON TRAINING

- **The LOGOS Encounter in Greensburg, PA / November 3, 2007**

1 day basic foundations training for new LOGOS ministries or to give those in existing ministries an overview and experience. Take-home materials extend your learning and provide opportunities to share with others in your church. \$325 per person or 1 training seat per Ministry Member

- **The LOGOS Encounter in Fairfax, VA / February 2, 2008**

1 day basic foundations training for new LOGOS ministries or to give those in existing ministries an overview and experience. Take-home materials extend your learning and provide opportunities to share with others in your church. \$340 per person or 1 training seat per Ministry Member

- **The LOGOS Experience in Bethlehem, PA / August 15-17, 2008**

2 ½ day basic foundations training for new LOGOS ministries or to give those in existing ministries an overview and experience. \$340 per person or 1 training seat per Ministry Member

- **LOGOS Powering UP! in Roanoke, VA / September 20, 2008**

1 day multi-topic sessions that allow attendees to choose specific subjects of interest for in-depth sharing and learning. \$75 per person or 1 training seat per Ministry Member

- **LOGOS Powering UP! in Greensburg, PA / October 25, 2008**

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For complete information on each training event and to register a team from your church, please check out our website. Additional training events are located in other regions and can also be found on our website.

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LOGOS North East 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! Your North East Regional Coordinator is Liz Perraud and she can be contacted at (877-937-2572, EXT 242) or at [LizPerraud@thelogosministry.org].

Volunteer Regional Advisors serving in the North East:
Virginia: Molly Douthett

For information on your Regional Advisor, please contact Liz Perraud and she will connect you! 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.