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The LOGOS Ministry

North Central Regional Newsletter

Summer 2008



Dear LOGOS Friend,

Our regional newsletters are now electronic! We hope that you will share this newsletter with the folks in your congregation, your community and your region. If you have news to share, please contact Liz Perraud at lizperraud@thelogosministry.org.

Upcoming Events in the North Central Region

The LOGOS Experience in Blaine, MN -- August 15-17, 2008

Christ Lutheran Church
641 89th Avenue
Blaine, MN 55434

2½ 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 Lee's Summit, MO -- November 15, 2008

First Presbyterian Church
1625 NW O'Brien Road

Lee's Summit, MO 64081

Love in Disguise and **The Teacher's Toolbox** will be offered at this event. \$79 per person or 1 training seat per Ministry Member.

North Central Churches that have attended training through June 2008

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Community United Presbyterian Church, Hartford, IA  
First Christian Church, Des Moines, IA  
First Congregational Church, Fremont, NE  
First Presbyterian Church, Carroll, IA  
First Presbyterian Church, Lee's Summit, MO  
First Presbyterian Church, North Platte, NE  
Holy Trinity Lutheran, New Prague, MN  
Peace Presbyterian Church, Omaha, NE  
St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Holstein, IA  
The Presbyterian Church, Fremont, NE  
United Methodist Church, Holstein, IA

### **News from Around the North Central Region**

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Ankeny Presbyterian Church in Ankeny, IA watched the "Children's Ministry Effectiveness Model" webinar individually before a meeting to discuss children's ministry in their church. They found it very helpful in identifying where they needed to put their efforts.

Faith Presbyterian Church in La Vista, NE offered child protection training this year. The Director of Christian Education also offered teacher training to all LOGOS and Sunday school teachers, using a LOGOS curriculum for the training.

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Hutchinson, KS celebrated their 25th year of LOGOS in May!

St. Johns Lutheran Church in Oberlin, KS watched the "LOGOS Works" webinar with their church Board of Education to help prepare them for the year ahead.

St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Kansas City, MO visited the LOGOS program at **Blue Ridge Blvd. United Methodist Church** and has become a Ministry Member and making plans to attend the LOGOS Experience in Tulsa to get LOGOS started.

One LOGOS director in **Nebraska** has been told by the "grandma-age" volunteers that they're overwhelmed with the positive feeling they get from volunteering with the ministry. One woman is reluctant to go on a cruise because she'll miss three weeks of LOGOS.

Another church in **Nebraska** reports that they had a talent show last week and the kids were so comfortable with one another. One shy middle-schooler got up on the spot and did the Macarena! They've seen lots of strong growth in relationships this year. This year, they had five kids from the community join mid-year - one was the result of "Bring a Friend

Night." Another was a referral from a member of the congregation - they'd just moved from a community where they had lots of family. So they feel like the church is now their new family.

Karen Carver reports from Cedar Rapids, IA that it has been a difficult time with all the flooding this summer and they all know it will last for months to come. But the family that has developed through LOGOS has been a real blessing. They have two LOGOS families who lost a home or had major damage and those families were immediately enveloped with love, prayers and hands to help.

Serving LOGOS in the North Central Region beyond their Local Congregation

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- Anne Sulhoff**, LOGOS Corporation, Omaha, NE
- Barry Holmes**, LOGOS Corporation, Overland Park, KS
- Beth Fratzke**, Regional Advisor, Elkhorn, NE
- Bill Ellwood**, Board of Directors, Leawood, KS
- Cathy Pettibone**, Training Leader/LOGOS Corporation, St. Louis, MO
- Debbie Eggers**, Training Leader, Papillion, NE
- Elaine Whiteneck**, Training Leader, Emporia, KS
- Frank Everett**, Training Leader, Gladstone, MO
- Henry Blickhaun**, Training Leader, Hutchinson, KS
- Lisa Sampson**, Training Leader, St. Paul, MN
- Lisa Simonson**, Regional Advisor, Lakeville, MN
- Penny Ellwood**, Training Leader, Leawood, KS
- Roberta Dale**, Training Leader, Shoreview, MN
- Tom Mendenhall**, LOGOS Corporation, Hutchinson, KS

## **Regional Support**

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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!

Volunteer Regional Advisors serving in the North Central Region:

- Minnesota: **Lisa Simonson**
- Nebraska: **Beth Fratzke**
- North Dakota/South Dakota: **JoAnn Parnell**

For information on your Regional Advisor, please contact National Coordinator **Liz Perraud** at LizPerraud@thelogosministry.org or call 877-937-2572, x242.

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